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Nations must prepare to deal with stablecoins: FM

Innovations in cryptocurrency are transforming landscape of money and capital flows, and they may force nations to adapt to new monetary architectures or risk exclusion, says Sitharaman

T.C.A. Sharad Raghavan
NEW DELHI

Hinting at a possible shift in India's cryptocurrency policy, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday said countries would have to "prepare to engage" with stablecoins whether they welcome the change or not.

"Innovations like stablecoins are transforming the landscape of money and capital flows," Ms. Sitharaman said in her inaugural address at the Kautilya Economic Conclave here.

"These shifts may force nations to make binary choices: adapt to new monetary architectures or risk exclusion," she said.

"Such developments underscore the scale of the transformation under way. They also remind us that no nation can insulate itself from systemic change. Whether we welcome these shifts or not, we must prepare to engage with them."

Stablecoins are a type of cryptocurrency that attempt to maintain stable prices as they are pegged to an underlying asset, such as a basket of currencies or precious metals.

The remarks come at a time when the Finance Ministry and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have both voiced their reservations about private cryptocurrencies, also referred to as virtual digital assets. India has not legalised these products in terms of regulation, but it does tax transactions that involve them.

The RBI, on the other hand, has lobbied hard to ban virtual digital assets outright, while simultaneously launching pilot projects of its own Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC).

What is a stablecoin?

A stablecoin is a crypto asset that aims to maintain a stable value relative to a specified asset, or a pool of assets

- These assets could be a monetary unit of account such as the dollar or euro, a currency basket, a commodity such as gold, or unbacked crypto assets
- This stability can also be achieved only if a centralised institution is in charge of issuing (minting) and redeeming (burning) these crypto assets

SOURCE: IMF

Legal backing

CBDCs are cryptocurrencies issued by central banks and have the same legal backing as official currency.

The Finance Minister said India's capacity to absorb external shocks was strong and that its economic leverage was evolving. "Wars and strategic rivalries are redrawing the boundaries of cooperation and conflict," Ms. Sitharaman said.

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NK region gets surplus rain while it was deficient in south

R. Krishna Kumar
MYSURU

The south-west monsoon, which spans from June 1 to September 30, has withdrawn, leaving deficient rain in the south and surplus in north, presenting a picture of contrast. It averaged out as ''normal'' overall in Karnataka.

Mysuru and Chamarajanagar are the only two of the 31 districts in the State to record deficient rain during the season, while in the rest of Karnataka, the rains were higher than the seasonal average.

Reflective of the uneven spatial distribution of rains, several districts of North Karnataka, which were on the deficient side till the first week of September, ended the season with excess, according to Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC).

Mysuru received 324 mm of rainfall from June 1 to September 30, which was 23% below seasonal average for the district. Similarly, Chamarajanagar district received 211 mm of rainfall, which is 34% below normal. Even Kodagu, which is the catchment area for the river Cauvery, received 2,176 mm of rainfall this year which is 1% below the long period average.

However, any rainfall which is up to 19% above long period average and 19% below long period average is categorised as normal and, hence, Kodagu is under green or normal category.

Several districts in North Karnataka received copious rains, resulting in swollen rivers and extensive flooding. FILE PHOTO

Copious rains

In sharp contrast, several districts in North Karnataka received copious rains, resulting in swollen rivers and extensive flooding.

The downpour in districts such as Vijayapura, Kalaburagi Bidar, Yadgir, etc., was higher than normal over the four-month monsoon period.

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'Marginalised groups under attack in Pak., Bangladesh'

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

India on Friday hit out at Pakistan and Bangladesh over their treatment of marginalised communities in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir and the Chittagong Hill tracts, respectively.

"We believe that it is a natural consequence of Pakistan's oppressive approach and its systemic plundering of resources from these territories, which remain under its forcible and illegal occupation. Pakistan must be held accountable for its horrific human rights violations," External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said.

He was responding to reports of police crackdown and Internet shutdown in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir.

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BJP-JD(S) alliance will continue, says Deve Gowda

BENGALURU
Former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda affirmed that the BJP-JD(S) alliance will continue "without disruption" and extend to all forthcoming elections, including local bodies and the Assembly. Mr. Gowda sought to dispel speculation about the continuation of the alliance.

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Nature beckons

Safari surge: Tourists undertaking a forest safari on Friday in the Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve, as gates reopened on Wednesday for visitors after a gap of three months. More than 90% of safari slots have been booked over the next three months. K.R. DEEPAK

Movie-goers asked to save ticket for refund in case HC upholds price cap

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka government has asked all movie-goers to keep film tickets, bought either physically or electronically, safe, as they will be eligible for a refund of the excess collected by multiplex theatres over ₹200, if ticket price cap is upheld by the High Court.

What courts said

The High Court of Karnataka issued a stay on the price cap order on September 23, and the Principal Bench upheld it on September 30, even as it issued detailed directions regarding ticket sale and refund, subject to final order in the case.

"Should the petitioners [Karnataka State Film Chamber of Commerce] succeed in the final adjudication, all amounts collected electronically (excluding applicable GST) during the pendency of the litigation must be refunded to consumers through the same payment method used for booking," the State government said in a press note on Friday, appealing to movie goers to save their tickets and multiplex theatres to save all records of tickets sold.

'Save records'

The State government has directed multiplex theatres to save records that must include date and time of sale of the tickets, mode of booking and payment, amount collected including GST, digitally traceable receipts for all cash transactions and daily cash registers.

Refund plan

As per directions of the High Court, the State government has asked Multiplex Association of India, to submit a refund processing plan to the Licensing Authority within 45 days, detailing the mechanism for consumer refunds. "Upon approval by the licensing authority, the plan will be placed before the High Court for final approval," the statement said.

HM turns village school into success with ₹3 crore CSR support

Rishita Khanna
BENGALURU

To address the issue of dropouts in his village, a government school teacher from Bashettihalli in Doddaballapur taluk went far beyond his teaching duties. Noticing that the lack of a high school was compelling children to discontinue their studies after primary education, he first persuaded the government to establish one in the village. He then mobilised over ₹3 crore in CSR contributions from various companies to expand and modernise the institution.

From dropout crisis to model campus: The government high school in Bashettihalli, Doddaballapur, that was transformed into a hi-tech campus by headmaster Narayanaswamy R. (right).

The government opened the high school in 2007, following repeated requests. At that time, the school had only three classrooms, two washrooms and about 100 to 120 students. Headmaster Narayanaswamy R., a native of the same village, had seen first-hand how children, especially girls, were dropping out after Class 7. Determined to change this, he began reaching out to companies, foundations and social organisations for support.

Bicycles to smart labs

Over the years, the funds raised were used to expand the campus to 22 classrooms spread across three new blocks, set up smart boards, STEM and computer labs, build an auditorium, and improve sanitation.

Special care was taken to address the barriers that kept girls away from school. With the help of a Rotary club, bicycles were distributed so that girls living in distant areas could travel safely. CSR contributions also funded sanitary pad vending machines and incinerators, ensuring hygiene.

"Today, the school serves over 530 students in Classes 8 to 10. Many of them are children of migrant workers from states such as Odisha, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. We decided that no child should drop out for any reason, and all of them now study in Kannada and English medium," Mr. Narayanaswamy said. He also recalled that one of his students, Garima Kumari from Bihar, scored a perfect score in Kannada last year.

This year, Mr. Narayanaswamy has also secured ₹16 lakh in CSR funds, which he plans to channel towards new initiatives. "A portion of the money will be used to provide KAS, IAS and IPS coaching to students within the school, giving them early exposure to competitive exam preparation. The remaining funds are being earmarked for additional programmes to strengthen both academics and overall student development," he said.

Corporate support

The school was also selected under the Union government's Atal Innovation Mission to host an Atal Tinkering Lab.

Equipped with tools for robotics, electronics and programming, the lab has sparked curiosity among students.

"Children who were once hesitant in academics now come alive in the lab. They want to know how things work and how to create something new," said Roopa, a teacher.

Several companies supported Mr. Narayanaswamy in his initiative. The Musashi Auto Parts India Private Limited, Bharti Airtel Foundation, Rittal Private Limited, among other companies, funded equipment and a part of infrastructure, while the family of former cricketer Anil Kumble helped build washrooms, major infrastructure and an auditorium.

One more tiger death in M.M. Hills Wildlife Sanctuary

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

The carcass of a tiger was found in the Hanur range of M.M. Hills Wildlife Sanctuary on Thursday in what is suspected to be another case of poisoning.

The incident comes within a few months of the carcasses of five tigers – a mother and its four cubs – being discovered in M.M. Hills in the last week of June, which turned out to be a case of poisoning.

The tiger, whose carcass was found on Thursday, was about 12 years old and it is suspected to have survived by preying on livestock as its canines had worn out.

The carcass was found near Pachchedoddi village in the Hanur beat of M.M. Hills Wildlife Sanctuary by forest guards during their routine patrolling.

Minister for Forest, Ecology and Environment Eshwar B. Khandre said no bullet wounds were found on the body, which had been confirmed by post-mortem examination.

However, the death of the tiger is suspected to be due to poisoning and the viscera of the carcass has been collected and sent to the laboratory for analysis and confirmation. A team, led by Principal Chief Conservator of Forest Smita Bijoor, was constituted to investigate and it has reached Hanur. Officials from the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau will also reach the site on Saturday.

GETTY IMAGES

Amid Piastri-Norris power struggle, Verstappen remains the gold standard

The McLaren drivers lead the standings in a dominant car. But the reigning four-time champion — in threatening to poke a spanner in the wheels of an intra-team battle, despite piloting an inferior Red Bull — has shown that he is the standout driver of the season

S. Dipak Ragav

As Formula One enters the final third of the season, the fight for the drivers' championship is at an exciting stage. Before the previous round in Azerbaijan, it seemed as if the battle would be between McLaren's Oscar Piastri and Lando Norris, with the former ahead by 31 points.

But around the streets of Baku, Piastri produced one of the most shocking performances from a title contender in recent memory. The Australian, who had not qualified outside the top four in 2025, crashed in the final part of qualifying to start ninth.

Gloomy weekend

On Sunday, he compounded his misery. His race lasted less than a minute, during which he made a series of errors. He jumped the start and stalled the car on the grid, trying to correct it, which left him last before the first corner. Piastri then binned his vehicle into the barriers a few seconds later, and retired to end a streak of 44 race finishes.

For someone who has largely been excellent, the 24-year-old looked like a rookie driving an F1 car for the first time and not someone who has won seven of 17 races so far.

If Piastri had a nightmarish weekend, Norris failed to capitalise on his rival's slip-ups and fumbled an open goal. Even though McLaren was not at its usual best, Norris did not cover himself in glory.

While Verstappen is still an outside shot, the fact that he has brought himself back into contention has reiterated conventional wisdom in the paddock

He messed up his final run in qualifying, finishing seventh, and struggled to make inroads in the race. He even dropped a position after the Safety Car restart, caught napping by Ferrari's Charles Leclerc. Although he got past Leclerc after the pit-stop, he ate into Piastri's lead by just six points when he could have made a bigger dent. It once again raises the question of whether Norris has what it takes to be a world champion.

It has been an eventful last three rounds for McLaren since the summer break. In Zandvoort, Norris' power unit failure cost him 18 points and swelled Piastri's advantage to 34. But since then, in Monza and Baku, the team has had to contend with a resurgent Max Verstappen and Red Bull. The reigning champion has won two races on the bounce and is suddenly threatening to poke a spanner in the wheels of what was an intra-team battle for the crown.

The Red Bull has been the quickest on both the low-downforce tracks that have long straights and short corners. These circuits don't play to the strengths of the McLaren, which is more suited to traditional layouts that are dominated by medium- and high-speed corners.

Verstappen, who was 104 points behind Piastri after the Dutch GP, has trimmed the deficit to 69. He now has a path to a record fifth consecutive championship, with seven races (and three sprint events) left and 199 points up for grabs.

While Verstappen is still an outside shot, the fact that he has brought himself back into contention has reiterated conventional wisdom in the paddock. The prevailing sentiment is that the Dutchman is the standout driver so far, and that, regardless of which McLaren driver wins, neither can claim to have been the best this year.

After Verstappen's victory in Italy, McLaren team boss Andrea Stella sounded the warning bells about Red Bull's newfound competitiveness, saying his team couldn't take for granted that it would seal both titles.

Feeling the pressure

Intriguingly, McLaren is also feeling the pressure because it has two top drivers who have taken points off each other, with neither able to pull ahead decisively. As long as the team was confident that one of its drivers would triumph, it had no reason to put its thumb on the scale and was happy to let them race. However, now that policy can come under stress.

Even though McLaren is all set to defend its constructors' title – potentially as early as this weekend in Singapore – Stella's wariness about Verstappen's seemingly long-shot bid betrays a lack of faith in his stars and validates the belief that the 28-year-old is the gold standard.

Both Piastri and Norris have dropped the ball on a few occasions, allowing Verstappen to steal victories. In Japan, the McLaren drivers did not maximise their qualifying, allowing Verstappen to nick pole and control the race from the front. In Imola, Piastri got mugged by the four-time champion, who pulled off an impressive overtaking manoeuvre at the start.

The Australian has also made costly errors. At his home race, he ran wide in the wet, which dropped him from second to ninth. He squandered 16 points there, and, in Silverstone, Piastri lost the victory and another seven points after getting a 10-second penalty for erratic driving behind the Safety Car when leading comfortably. Those 23 points alone could have given him a much more comfortable cushion in the standings.

On the other hand, Norris has not been sufficiently clinical in a year in which his car has been the outright fastest on most tracks. He has been inconsistent, timid in wheel-to-wheel battles and error-prone. Among his five wins, fortune favoured him in the British GP and in Hungary, where he received a better strategy than his teammate, who was running ahead of him.

In a sport where machinery is the major determinant of who clinches the drivers' title, a Verstappen triumph will be unprecedented, considering Red Bull has been between the second- and fourth-fastest team on average, barring the last two events.

Even in 2024, it was Verstappen's relentless consistency in the first half, despite not always having the fastest car, that allowed him the buffer to repel a late charge from Norris.

Looking back at recent history, the last time F1 saw a credible title challenge from someone not piloting the fastest machinery was back in 2012, when Fernando Alonso dragged a third-best Ferrari to within three points of the big prize that Sebastian Vettel ultimately won in a dominant Red Bull. Alonso's 2012 season is widely considered one of the finest campaigns by a driver, and Verstappen's 2025 effort is sure to be slotted among those.

Adding to his CV

Irrespective of the outcome this season, Verstappen will emerge with his reputation enhanced and a ticket to be included among the pantheon of greats. He further burnished his motorsport credentials last weekend, mastering a completely different format and series. He won his debut GT3 race at the famously difficult Nordschleife in the Nurburgring Endurance Series, in a car that is diametrically opposite to single-seater machines.

But Piastri and Norris still have their destiny in their hands. One of them can still alter how he is perceived. While neither will threaten Verstappen's status as the best on the grid, they are in prime position to claim his crown – and history remembers champions. If one of them gets the job done with a run of convincing performances, he will be considered a worthy winner who dethroned an all-time great.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Carlos Alcaraz	22	11,540	20
2	Jannik Sinner	24	10,780	17
3	Alexander Zverev	28	5,930	23
4	Novak Djokovic	38	4,830	19
5	Taylor Fritz	27	4,675	22
6	Ben Shelton	22	4,280	23
7	Jack Draper	23	3,690	17
8	Alex de Minaur	26	3,545	23
9	Lorenzo Musetti	23	3,505	20
10	Karen Khachanov	29	3,280	24
11	Holger Rune	22	3,090	21
12	Casper Ruud	26	2,755	23
13	Felix Auger-Aliassime	25	2,755	28
14	Andrey Rublev	27	2,610	29
15	Tommy Paul	28	2,510	21

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 289 ▼ 1 spot

Aryan Shah
Rank 396 ▼ 5 spots

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Aryna Sabalenka	27	11,225	19
2	Iga Swiatek	24	8,433	17
3	Coco Gauff	21	7,873	20
4	Amanda Anisimova	24	5,109	21
5	Mirra Andreeva	18	4,793	19
6	Madison Keys	30	4,579	19
7	Jessica Pegula	31	4,383	22
8	Jasmine Paolini	29	4,006	19
9	Qinwen Zheng	22	4,003	16
10	Elena Rybakina	26	3,833	21
11	Ekaterina Alexandrova	30	3,253	25
12	Clara Tauson	22	2,775	24
13	Elina Svitolina	31	2,606	16
14	Naomi Osaka	27	2,489	16
15	Karolina Muchova	29	2,488	16

Top Indians ▶

Sahaja Yamalapalli
Rank 347 ▼ 8 spots

Shrivalli Bhamidipaty
Rank 374 ▼ 19 spots

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	324	7
2	Lando Norris	McLaren	299	5
3	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	255	4
4	George Russell	Mercedes	212	1
5	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	165	0
6	Lewis Hamilton	Ferrari	121	0
7	Kimi Antonelli	Mercedes	78	0
8	Alexander Albon	Williams	70	0
9	Isack Hadjar	Racing Bulls	39	0
10	Nico Hulkenberg	Kick Sauber	37	0
11	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	32	0
12	Carlos Sainz	Williams	31	0
13	Liam Lawson	Racing Bulls	30	0
14	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	30	0
15	Esteban Ocon	Haas	28	0
16	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	20	0
17	Yuki Tsunoda	Red Bull	20	0
18	Gabriel Bortoleto	Kick Sauber	18	0
19	Oliver Bearman	Haas	16	0
20	Franco Colapinto	Alpine	0	0

Oscar Piastri

Lando Norris

F1 Constructors' standings

Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	McLaren	623	12
2	Mercedes	290	1
3	Ferrari	286	0
4	Red Bull	272	4
5	Williams	101	0
6	Racing Bulls	72	0
7	Aston Martin	62	0
8	Kick Sauber	55	0
9	Haas	44	0
10	Alpine	20	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Shi Yu Qi	1,09,117	11
2	Anders Antonsen	98,313	17
3	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	95,079	19
4	Li Shi Feng	84,228	19
5	Chou Tien Chen	80,619	25
6	Jonatan Christie	78,144	17
7	Alex Lanier	71,231	15
8	Christo Popov	67,457	19
9	Loh Kean Yew	66,719	18
10	Weng Hong Yang	65,440	18
11	Kodai Naraoka	65,094	21
12	Lin Chun-Yi	60,270	17
13	Kenta Nishimoto	59,632	22
14	Toma Junior Popov	56,731	19
15	Lu Guang Zu	56,360	19

Top Indians ▶

Lakshya Sen
Rank 19

Ayush Shetty
Rank 27

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	1,11,270	14
2	Wang Zhi Yi	1,06,862	18
3	Han Yue	92,850	17
4	Akane Yamaguchi	91,964	15
5	Chen Yu Fei	88,835	14
6	Pornpawee Chochuwong	71,858	21
7	Putri Kusuma Wardani	68,830	20
8	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	68,360	12
9	Ratchanok Intanon	62,464	19
10	Tomoka Miyazaki	62,424	22
11	Sim Yu Jin	60,559	15
12	Supanida Katethong	59,547	16
13	P.V. Sindhu	57,964	18
14	Yeo Jia Min	55,813	15
15	Gao Fang Jie	54,820	15

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 13

Unnati Hooda
Rank 31

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Joe Root	908	932
2	Harry Brook	868	898
3	Kane Williamson	858	919
4	Steve Smith	816	947
5	Yashasvi Jaiswal	792	858
6	Temba Bavuma	790	806
7	Kamindu Mendis	781	784
8	Rishabh Pant	768	801
9	Daryl Mitchell	748	807
10	Ben Duckett	747	787

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jasprit Bumrah	889	908
2	Kagiso Rabada	851	902
3	Matt Henry	846	846
4	Pat Cummins	838	914
5	Josh Hazlewood	815	864
6	Noman Ali	806	806
7	Scott Boland	784	784
8	Nathan Lyon	769	812
9	Marco Jansen	767	803
10	Mitchell Starc	766	807

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Shubman Gill	784	847
2	Rohit Sharma	756	882
3	Babar Azam	739	898
4	Virat Kohli	736	909
5	Daryl Mitchell	720	751
6	Charith Asalanka	716	725
7	Harry Tector	708	767
8	Shreyas Iyer	704	710
9	Shai Hope	699	802
10	Ibrahim Zadran	676	693

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Keshav Maharaj	690	741
2	Maheesh Theekshana	659	686
3	Jofra Archer	654	654
4	Kuldeep Yadav	650	761
5	Bernard Scholtz	645	648
6	Rashid Khan	640	799
7	Mitchell Santner	637	657
8	Adil Rashid	628	675
9	Matt Henry	622	691
10	Ravindra Jadeja	616	733

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Abhishek Sharma	926	931
2	Philip Salt	844	881
3	Tilak Varma	819	845
4	Jos Buttler	785	794
5	Pathum Nissanka	779	779
6	Travis Head	771	885
7	Tim Seifert	725	727
8	Suryakumar Yadav	698	912
9	Kusal Perera	692	786
10	Tim David	676	680

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Varun Chakravarthy	803	803
2	Jacob Duffy	717	750
3	Adam Zampa	700	746
4	Akeal Hosein	699	714
5	Adil Rashid	689	747
6	Wanindu Hasaranga	687	809
7	Abrar Ahmed	686	703
8	Nuwan Thushara	676	714
9	Rashid Khan	660	828
10	Nathan Ellis	658	664

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Namma Clinics short-changing elderly when it comes to medicines: Survey

Beneficiaries say they get medicines only for about 15 days in a month, and clinics run out of supply after that

Rishita Khanna
BENGALURU

While Namma Clinics were launched with the promise of providing free neighbourhood-level healthcare and free supply of medicines, a new survey shows that senior citizens in Bengaluru often receive only 10 to 15 days' worth of diabetes and hypertension drugs, instead of a month-long supply, forcing many to buy medicines privately or skip doses.

The survey, conducted by Akhila Karnataka Vayovruddara Okkoota (AIKYATA), which represents senior citizens and retired informal sector workers', assessed public health facilities across Bengaluru including Namma Clinics, Primary Health Centres (PHCs), and general hospitals, documenting accessibility, infrastructure, service delivery, and medicine availability.

The survey was supported by Sylvia Karpagam, public health doctor and Akhila Vasan, public health researcher, and the report was made public on Friday.

"When we go to the Namma Clinic, we do get medicines for blood pressure and sugar, but this supply runs out in 15 days. No amount of requesting the clinic staff is of any use. We ask them to give us medicines for a whole month, but they didn't. So, we end up taking the medicine erratically. Sometimes we take it, sometimes we don't. Then the staff shout at us for being careless," a senior citizen said.

The absence of proper signage on main roads makes it difficult for first-time visitors, particularly elderly patients, to access the facilities. FILE PHOTO

Moreover, all those dispensing medications in Namma Clinics were nurses who were not trained to manage the pharmacy. This is a dangerous practice and can lead to patients being given the wrong medication. There is a need for a public health cadre that is trained and qualified to regularly monitor these facilities, the report argued.

A doctor from Namma Clinic, however, said that they take stock of what they don't have and send indents regularly, but the supply is not according to their indent. "We have repeatedly told our officials to have more rational practice, but after some time it doesn't feel like it makes any difference," the doctor said. The medicine supply remained an issue even in General Hospitals (GHs). Pharmacies in most GHs were functional, but shortages persisted. Some patients were directed to private pharmacies. Even PHCs faced similar problems. Despite the presence of Jan Aushadhi Kendras, private pharmacies outside hospitals advertised generic medicines at 50 to 75% discount.

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During the survey, the AIKYATA teams reported challenges in locating Namma Clinics. On one visit, the team spent over an hour trying to find a clinic that did not appear correctly on Google Maps. The absence of proper signage on main roads makes it difficult for first-time visitors, particularly elderly patients, to access these facilities. Such difficulties could discourage repeat visits, contributing to low patient load, the report pointed out.

"Anyone, especially the elderly, visiting for the first time will be so put off that they may not return for the next visit. This could be one of the main reasons why the case load in this Namma Clinic was very low," it stated.

Some clinics were located in non-residential commercial areas and on upper floors with steep ramps unsuitable for senior citizens or wheelchair-bound persons.

While the report acknowledges that a few clinics had separate rooms for doctors, lab technicians, pharmacies, and that they were neat, the planning of Namma Clinics, it said, was not done properly.

"Though modelled on Delhi's Mohalla Clinics, there was little consultation before establishment. Currently, 225 clinics operate within the limits of the Greater Bengaluru Authority, offering 14 basic diagnostic tests. In some areas, there are a lot of clinics while there is a complete absence in other places, indicating that accessibility for patients was not a priority in planning. Community mapping and consultation could have ensured more rational placement," it added.

Key challenges

- Uneven distribution of facilities
- Shortage of main staff
- Poor coordination between GBA and State health services
- Fragmented services, lack of continuity

Key recommendations

- Specialised training for healthcare providers
- Make public spaces age and disability-friendly
- Screening, physiotherapy, nutritional interventions, home-based care for immobile patients
- Evening OPDs at facilities from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Shakti scheme gets world recognition

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

This recognition comes close on the heels of the scheme being listed in the Golden Book of World Records. K. MURALI KUMAR

Shakti scheme, the flagship women-empowerment initiative of the State government, has achieved another global milestone by entering the International Book of Records - World Record of Excellence. Over 500 crore free tickets have been issued since the launch of the scheme, which offers free bus travel for women.

This recognition comes close on the heels of the scheme being listed in the Golden Book of World Records. Launched on June 11, 2023, as the first of the Congress government's five guarantees, the Shakti scheme allows women, including transgender persons and students, to travel free of cost on non-premium State-run buses.

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy expressed gratitude to the officers, employees, and labour union leaders of the four State Road Transport Corporations for their role in this achievement. He said, "The scheme has empowered women not just economically but also socially and professionally, providing them greater mobility and opportunities."

Mr. Reddy noted that the successful implementation of the initiative across the State highlights its wide impact. "It is a matter of pride that the scheme has now another world record to its credit. I extend my congratulations to all women passengers," he said.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Notice Inviting E-Auction
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites scheduled E-Auction on 09-10-2025 @ 10:30 hrs. in IREPS portal for leasing of parcel space in various Passenger carrying trains over Hubballi Division.
E-Auction Catalogue No. UBL-PLS-OCT-25
Name of the Work : Leasing of 3.9/4 ton Parcel space in various Passenger carrying trains over Hubballi Division for a period of two years.
Date and Time of bidding : 09-10-2025 @ 10:30 hrs.
For details log on : www.ireps.gov.in
Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Hubballi
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TENDER NOTICE
Refer our AD published in 'The Hindu' page 4 dated 11 Sep 2025. Add to read: - Sealed quotations are invited for **supply and installation of 125 KVA DG set, ATS panel and Generator Shed at Army Public School ASC Centre & College (APS ASC C&C).** Tender Enquiry/Form can be collected from school office after payment of Rs.500/- (Demand Draft in favour of APS ASC C&C) till 09 Oct 2025 (1000hrs to 1230hrs). Last date and time to submit filled tender form is 09 Oct 2025 at 1230 hrs.
Presiding Officer/Member 1
For School Management

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice No.Y-E-29-2025-26-50
Dated: 24-09-2025
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:

Description of work	Approx. Value
OHE modification for provision of shunting neck of 750m towards Kadur end by extending the existing siding on Road-4 at Birur Yard.	Rs. 1,35,88,768.75

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 16-10-2025**
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer TR / Mysuru
PUB/514/AAF/PRB/SWR/2025-26
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Aspiring candidates may apply for admission to Ph.D and M.Tech programme. A hard copy of the application, along with relevant documents, must reach the Joint Registrar (Academics), DIAT (DU), Girinagar, Pune - 411025, **by 1730 hours on or before 14 November 2025 for Ph.D & 1730 hours on or before 15 October 2025 for M.Tech.** For more details, visit **www.diat.ac.in**.

UTTAR PRADESH MEDICAL SUPPLIES CORPORATION LTD.
(A Government of Uttar Pradesh Undertaking)
Tender Notice
Tender Ref. No: UPMSCL/Drugs-240/16 **Dated: 26/09/2025**
E-TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF INSECTICIDE/LARVICIDE TO UTTAR PRADESH MEDICAL SUPPLIES CORPORATION LIMITED
Online tenders are invited from licensed manufacturers for supply of Bacillus Thuringiensis var israelensis, 5% AS (BTI) to UPMSCL. The details of tender, list of items and Tender Documents are made available on website https://etender.up.nic.in and www.upmsc.in. The last date/time of online submission of the tender documents is **16/10/ 2025 up to 15:00 Hrs.**
Managing Director
UPMSCL Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
Department of Medical Health & Family Welfare, Uttar Pradesh

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F. No: NITD/01/Admn/606/2025-26 Dated: 30.09.2025
विज्ञापन सं.: 08/2025
ADVT. NO.: 08/2025
गैर-संकाय पदों की भर्ती / RECRUITMENT OF NON-TEACHING POSITIONS
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ऑनलाइन आवेदन पोर्टल 01.10.2025 से 22.10.2025 (23:55 बजे रात्रि) तक खुला रहेगा। निर्धारित तिथि एवं समय के बाद प्राप्त आवेदन स्वीकार नहीं किए जाएंगे। / The online Application Portal will remain open from 01.10.2025 to 22.10.2025 (23:55 hrs). After this deadline, the submission link will be disabled.
Sd/-
cbc 21275/12/0004/2526 (Registrar, NIT Delhi)

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:
E-Tender Notice No.Y/E.29/2025-26/51
Dated: 24-09-2025

Description of work	Approx. Value
(Re-tender) Harihar :- Provision of infrastructure facilities for maintenance of BTPN wagons	Rs. 55,89,628.91

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 15-10-2025**
E-Tender Notice No.Y/E.29/2025-26/52
Dated: 24-09-2025

Description of work	Approx. Value
(Re-tender) Electrical Piece work (Zonal work) for SSE/E /Mysuru Jurisdiction (Period for one year)	Rs. 18,59,999.35

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 16-10-2025**
E-Tender Notice No.Y/E.29/2025-26/53
Dated: 24-09-2025

Description of work	Approx. Value
(Re-tender) Electrical Piece work (Zonal work) for JE/E/ Chikjajur Jurisdiction (Period for one year)	Rs. 9,30,000.00

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 16-10-2025**
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CENTRAL RAILWAY
SOLAPUR DIVISION
ELECTRICAL WORK
Tender Notice No. SUR/ L/T/2024/49R2. The Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer, General, Central Railway, Solapur, for and on behalf of the President of India invites online e-tenders on Railways e-procurement website **www.ireps.gov.in** from reputed, experienced & contractors for the following works. **Name of Work**: Electrical general service portion of work in connection with Improvement & Rewiring of 25 nos RB II type Quarters located at Kurduwadi Colony of Solapur Division (Re-invitation). **Estimated Cost**: ₹ 5,31,364.35/-. **Bid Security**: ₹ 10,600.00/-. **Completion Period:** 12 Months. **Validity of offer:** 60 Days. **Date & time of tender closing on website**: **29.10.2025** at **15:00 hours**. Bid Security cost shall be paid through e-payment on **www.ireps.gov.in** website.
Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (G)
Akar/Sur-67 CR, Solapur
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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNBAL - I (KARNATAKA) AT BENGALURU
(BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560001.
ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO. 1928/2024
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
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Bengaluru
... Applicant
Versus
M/s. Kruttika Texport Private Ltd and Others
... Defendants
SUMMONS TO SECOND DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULE 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION
To,
Defendant No. 01
01. M/s. Kruttika Texport Private Ltd.
A Private Limited Company
Having its Registered Office :
No. 35, Floor-02, Plot 172/186, Chaterbhuj Khetsi Building, Sant Tukaram Marg, Dana Bander, Mumbai - 400 009.
Having its one of Office at :
M/s. Kruttika Texport Private Ltd.
No. 34/125, 4th Main, 4th Stage, Thyagarajanagar, Bengaluru - 560 028.
Defendant No. 02 :- Sri Keerthi Jain
Son of Vijayaraj Jain
Director, Kruttika Texport Private Ltd.,
No. 14/2, First Floor, Dwaraka Apartments, Sannidhi Road, N.R. Colony, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560 004.
Defendant No. 03 :-
Smt. Savita Wife of Vijayraj Jain,
Director : Kruttika Texport Private Ltd.
No. 125, Second Floor, 4th Main, 4th Block, Tyagarajanagar, N.R. Colony, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560 004.
Defendant No. 04 :-
Smt. Neelm Jain Wife of Vijayraj Jain,
No. 125, Second Floor, 4th Main, 4th Block, Tyagarajanagar, N.R. Colony, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560 004.
Whereas, the Applicant Bank has instituted an Original Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993, against you for the recovery of a sum of **Rs. 1,95,01,104.83 (Rupees One Crore Ninety Five Lakh One Thousand One Hundred Four and Paise Eighty Three only) as on 04-10-2024** being total dues with interest and costs thereon, against the defendants.
You are required to show cause on **21-01-2026 at 11.00 a.m.** in person or by a pleader / advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in the event of default, the Original Application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of Tribunal, this 9th day of September 2025.
The Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - 1
Bengaluru - 560 025.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-PROCUREMENT (IREPS) TENDER
NOTICE No. HE-16-2025-26
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders (IREPS) for the following works:

SL	Name of work	Approx. Value
1	Provision of Air conditioners for Running Room & Crew Booking lobby of Hubballi Division	Rs. 10,77,361.20
2	**Sub Work - 1:-** Electrical Arrangements for the Proposed construction of Type-III, 12 units staff quarters at Vijayapura. **Sub Work - 2:-** Electrical Arrangements for the Proposed construction of Type-II staff quarters 4 units at Vijayapura.	Rs. 36,01,693.84
3	Electrical Arrangements for the Proposed construction of Type-II 12 units staff quarters at Bagalkot.	Rs. 25,10,098.72
4	Electrical Arrangements for the Proposed construction of Type-II, 12 units staff quarters at Vasco-Da-Gama.	Rs. 25,10,098.72
5	Electrical Arrangements to Proposed recreation facility at Railway Officers Club, Hubballi	Rs. 12,67,354.60

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 28-10-2025**
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
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केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)
Wilson Branch : #376/21, T V Plaza, H Siddaiah Road, Wilson Garden-560027
e-mail id : cb10419@canarabank.com.
Dated : 29.09.2025
To the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagor:
1. M/S. M R HOSPITALITY PRIVATE LIMITED
Represented by Directors
Mr. S MANJUNATH REDDY and MR. CHETHAN KUMAR.
NO 42, Old no 407,8th b main road, jayanagar 3rd block ,bangalore south 560011
And having Registered office at : 106/A, 4th Cross, 5th Block, Koramangala,Behind Raheja Arcade,Bangalore -560095
2. MR. S MANJUNATH REDDY (Director and Guarantor)
Director of M/S. M R HOSPITALITY PRIVATE LIMITED S/O SHANKAR REDDY,
NO 8, 4TH cross, 8th main , jayanagar 2nd block,bangalore south 560011
3. MR. CHETHAN KUMAR
Director of M/S. M R HOSPITALITY PRIVATE LIMITED
RESIDING AT C/O S Viswanatha shetty , ward no 16, srinivasam, 2nd stage, 4th cross,near raghavendra talkies , agadi com, bellari, karnataka-583101
4. SMT. BHAGYALAKSHMI (Guarantor) W/O SRI. KRISHNA MURTHY T V
15, sri lakshmi venkateshwara nilaya, 1st main road, ranganatahapura, kamakshipalya, basaveshwaranagar 560079
SUBJECT: Notice for exercising the right of redemption under Section 13 (8) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act").
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Wilson garden Branch,** Bengaluru, Karnataka (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Act do hereby issue this notice, under Section 13(8) of the Act read with Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Rules, to you all as under:
As you all are aware that the secured creditor had issued the Demand Notice, under Section 13(2) of the Act, on 30-06-2025 to the borrower **1. M/s M R HOSPITALITY PRIVATE LIMITED 2. Mr. S Manjunath Reddy (Director and Guarantor) 3. Mr. Chethan Kumar (Director) 4. Smt. Bhagyalakshmi (Guarantor)** (name of Borrower/ Mortgagor/Guarantor), the mortgagor and the guarantors (above mentioned names), demanding to pay an amount of **Rs. 2,64,70,782.62 (Rupees Two Crore Sixty Four Lakh Seventy thousand Seven hundred Eighty Two and Paise Sixty Two Only)** and interest stated thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.
Since, the Borrowers / Firm, the mortgagors and the Guarantor (above mentioned names) having failed to repay the amount mentioned in the above said demand notices, the Authorized Officer under Section 13(4) of the Act had taken symbolic/Physical possession of the secured assets described in the Possession Notice dated **22-09-2025.** Further, the said symbolic/ Physical possession notice was duly published in **THE HINDU and UDAYAKALA (Bangalore), on 24-09-2025.**
To comply with the provision of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(6) of SARFAESI Rules, you all are hereby given a last and final opportunity to redeem and reclaim the secured assets, which are in possession of the secured creditor, within 30 days from the receipt of this notice, by discharging the liability of Rs. 2,71,26,558.62 (Rupees Two Crore Seventy One Lakh Twenty Six thousand Five hundred Fifty Eight and Paise Sixty Two Only) as on 29-09-2025, plus subsequent interest, costs and expenses in full, failing which the sale notice under the Act will be published in the newspaper specifying one of the following modes mentioned below, to sell the secured assets:
i. By obtaining quotations from the persons dealing with similar secured assets or otherwise interested in buying assets; or
ii. By inviting tenders from the public; or
iii. By holding public auction including through e-auction mode; or
iv. By private treaty.
As per Section 13(8) of the Act, you are entitled to redeem the secured Assets at any time before the date of publication of sale notice in Newspapers, failing which your Right to redeem the mortgaged property as per Section 13(8) of the Act shall stand extinguished.
[Details of security assets]

Sl No	IMMOVABLE	NAME OF TITLE HOLDER
1.	All that piece and parcel of vacant site bearing No.128/1, Khatha No. 123, presently Pattanagere/Rajarajeshwari Nagar CMC Khatha No.152/ 128/1 situated at Pattanagere Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to West 88 Feet and North to South 40Feet totally measuring 3250Sq Ft. bounded as follows: **East By** : Muthaiah 's House **West By** : Road , **North By :** Private Property And **South By :** Galaiah's Property.	**Smt. Bhagyalakshmi**

Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer**
Date : 03.10.2025 **Canara Bank**

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In view of the default committed by the following borrowers, Bank has repossessed/ seized the Hypothecated Motor vehicles mentioned below in exercise of the power conferred under the Hypothecation Agreement executed by the borrower and the same is being auctioned on "As is where is ", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is " basis. **Date of e-auction: 18TH October 2025 Time: 12.00 PM to 2.00 PM Contact point for e-auction: Baanknet.com (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt Ltd) (Contact No. 7046612345/6354910172/8291220220/9892219848/8160205051, Email: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com)** Mode of Auction: E – Auction

Sl No.	Borrower Name & Branch	Vehicle Model	Registration Year	Registration No	Reserve Price	EMD Amount
1	MURTHY G (Channapatna)	Maruti Suzuki Swift Dzire Tour BS IV	2015	KA 42 A 4221	1,60,000	16,000
2	NAGARAJA M V (Channapatna)	Maruti Suzuki Swift Dzire Tour BS IV	2015	KA 42 A 4304	60,000	6,000
3	PRASHANTH N (Muthegere)	Nissan Magnite XV Pre	2023	KA 09 MH 3733	4,50,000	45,000

Terms & Conditions :
1. The Earnest Money Deposit stated above shall be deposited on or before 17.10.2025 by 4.00 PM. The EMD amount has to be deposited to the respective branch along with KYC documents.
2. The intending purchaser/ bidder may inspect the vehicle through Canara Bank CHANNAPATNA/MUTHEGERE Branch. It shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the vehicles before submission of the bid.
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4. Successful bidder has to remit the balance amount within 3 days from the date of Auction, otherwise the EMD amount will be forfeited and will not be refunded under any circumstances. It shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to bear all the charges for conveyance, transfer / registration charges, etc., as applicable.
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Place : Mandya **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 04-10-2025 **Canara Bank, Mandya**

K. MURALI KUMAR

Cueing up for heyball: the tabletop sport growing in popularity

The fast-paced game — also known as Chinese 8-ball — appeals to both pool enthusiasts and cue-sport traditionalists. Indian players, adept at snooker and billiards, find the transition relatively easy. The accessible career path and lucrative rewards make it a compelling option

Ashwin Achal

Heyball, the new kid in cue sports town, has something for everyone.

The quick-paced game is played with striped and solid balls, which appeals to pool enthusiasts. For cueists with a traditional bent of mind, the table – nine feet by five feet in size, with tight pockets – is similar to what is used in snooker, only smaller.

Universal appeal

And then there is the universal appeal – big prize money.

Heyball, also known as Chinese 8-ball, has grown in popularity in recent years. The arrival of Joy Billiards – one of China's leading billiard table manufacturers – as sponsor and tournament organiser has taken the sport all over the world.

The financial rewards are particularly lucrative, with the World Heyball Masters Grand Finals held earlier this year offering a whopping $1,700,000 prize pool. Smaller international open-entry tournaments carry a total purse ranging from $50,000 to $140,000.

India, with its rich history in cue sports, is taking its first steps into this new world. The Billiards and Snooker Federation of India (BSFI) held the inaugural Heyball National Championships in New Delhi in August, with Delhi's Sundeep Gulati and international snooker medallist Vidya Pillai emerging as the men's and women's champions respectively.

The maiden national championships reflected the growing interest in the sport in India.

BSFI president S. Balasubramaniam explained that Indian players, generally adept at snooker and billiards, find the transition to heyball fairly easy. There are plans to host an international heyball tournament in India soon. "We have had meetings with Joy Billiards. In fact, Joy Billiards look at India as a big market. They are willing to pump in a lot of money in India. There are plans to bring a $50,000 tournament to India in December. That will be India's first heyball tournament, which is a great starting point," Balasubramaniam said. For now, state associations such as the Karnataka State Billiards Association (KSBA) do not stock heyball tables. Plans are afoot to bring a couple of tables over, which will give players the chance to practise on international-standard tables.

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>
> **MOHIT GUPTA**
> Bronze medallist, 2025 World Disability Snooker Championship

In the meantime, Pranit Ramchandani's Heyball Academy in Bengaluru acts as the sport's nerve centre. A former heyball player, certified coach and sport promoter, Pranit set up India's first heyball facility equipped with official Joy Heyball tables.

Ramchandani, who counts Vidya among his many trainees, recalled his introduction to this new phenomenon.

"A friend from Malaysia, a national snooker champion, told me about this new sport called heyball. He took me to a place called Hustlers in Malaysia. The first time I played it, it was simple and fun, when compared to snooker. I was more inclined towards snooker at the time," Ramchandani said.

Ramchandani understood the sport's potential when he became aware of the prize money involved. "Traditional cue sports have always lacked prize money," he said. "It was all about being passionate, but how far can pure passion take you?"

A fairly straightforward career path in heyball adds to the appeal. Open-entry international tournaments are the best way to start.

"There is potential career growth in heyball. There are so many international events on the calendar, and all these are open championships. You don't have to go through qualifiers like you do in snooker," Ramchandani said.

Attractive proposition

He added that on a recent tour, the tournament organisers took care of the hotel stay expenses. "They also arranged an airport pick-up and drop. If you qualify for the main round, you get about $3,000," Ramchandani said.

"When events happen consistently, heyball will surely take off. There will be more academies, more coaches, more training centres, and, eventually, more players playing the international circuit. From where I started, I've already seen so many new players come in," he said.

> More Indians have started to play heyball seriously — the shift is already happening. Players are slowly forgetting about snooker now
>
> **PRANIT RAMCHANDANI**
> Coach and former player

Not surprisingly, young upstarts have taken to the sport. Teenager Karan Seshadri started playing snooker at the age of 10, but a meeting with Ramchandani prompted a course change.

"I initially signed up for snooker coaching. On the first day, Pranit sir told us about heyball. The name stuck the instant he said it," Seshadri said.

In the under-19 boys' category of the 2025 national championships, Seshadri finished as runner-up – a sign to take the sport seriously.

"When I played snooker, I used to compete only in state and national tournaments, and a few open tournaments. But with heyball, I could play international tournaments in China, Thailand and Malaysia," Seshadri said.

"Of course, the prize money aspect is huge. I know I perhaps should not be thinking about prize money at this stage, but it was a reason why my parents and I decided that I should make the shift from snooker to heyball," Seshadri said.

Mohit Gupta is another cueist who has taken the plunge. A bronze medal winner at the 2025 World Disability Snooker Championship, Mohit competed in heyball tournaments in the USA recently and was pleased with the experience.

"The tournament host in Los Angeles was very supportive. Most snooker events are not sponsored, but all heyball events are sponsored. Our flight tickets to the USA were covered, and we stayed in five-star hotels. We also got $60 per day for expenses," Mohit said.

Mohit is hopeful that heyball will soon feature in the Olympics and Paralympics. A step in this direction was taken in November last year, when Joy Billiards made a pitch for heyball at the 27th Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) General Assembly in Portugal.

"If heyball gets into the Paralympics and Olympics, then it will be easier to get sponsorship and spectatorship," Mohit, a data engineer, said.

Ramchandani's academy has brought together people from all walks of life – an indicator of the inclusive nature of the sport. Take the case of Chirag Sodha, a professional poker player and cue sports enthusiast. Sodha explained that he is exploring heyball to see what opportunities it brings. "This is a great time to give heyball a shot," Sodha said.

'We got this'

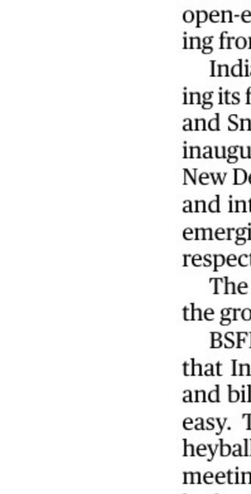
Currently, players from China dominate the sport, but Ramchandani is convinced that Indians have the skill and drive to compete against the best.

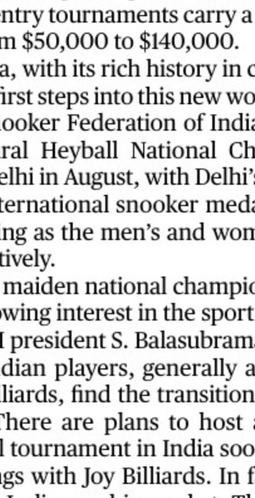
"I don't think Chinese players are very superior. In terms of technique, Indians are right up there. More Indians have started to play heyball seriously – the shift is already happening. Players are slowly forgetting about snooker now," Ramchandani said.

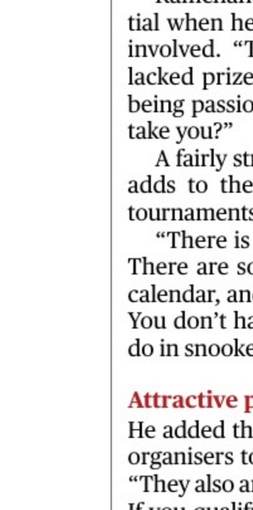
GAME THEORY

Best dribblers in Europe

With club football approaching the October international break, it's an appropriate moment to take stock of the most prolific dribblers in Europe's top five leagues thus far in the 2025-26 season







Player	Club	League	Dribbles/ game
Lamine Yamal	Barcelona	LaLiga	5.3
Azzedine Ounahi	Girona	LaLiga	4.0
Mohammed Kudus	Tottenham	Premier League	4.0
Kylian Mbappe	Real Madrid	LaLiga	3.6
Ander Barrenetxea	Real Sociedad	LaLiga	3.0
Arthur Atta	Udinese	Serie A	3.0
Iliman Ndiaye	Everton	Premier League	3.0
Jeremy Doku	Man City	Premier League	3.0
Yann Gboho	Toulouse	Ligue 1	3.0
Yankuba Minteh	Brighton	Premier League	2.7
Bazoumana Toure	Hoffen-heim	Bundesliga	2.6
Ilyas Ansah	Union Berlin	Bundesliga	2.6
Carney Chukwuemeka	Dortmund	Bundesliga	2.5
Noah Okafor	Leeds	Premier League	2.5
Joel Roca	Girona	LaLiga	2.4
Luis Diaz	Bayern	Bundesliga	2.4
Antoine Semenyo	Bourne-mouth	Premier League	2.3
Haissem Hassan	Real Oviedo	LaLiga	2.3
Bukayo Saka	Arsenal	Premier League	2.3
Fermin Lopez	Barcelona	LaLiga	2.3
Sam Amo-Ameyaw	Strasbourg	Ligue 1	2.3

SOURCE: WHOSCORED.COM

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GETTY IMAGES

Heckle and jibe

The Bethpage State Park Golf Course in New York will live in Ryder Cup infamy after unruly American fans marred a fiercely fought contest with their behaviour.

Partisan support isn't new to the historic competition, but the wide consensus in the world of golf was that the home fans crossed a line during this year's edition, which concluded last weekend.

Europe's win came after three days of non-stop barracking. Rory McIlroy, who bore the brunt of the abuse, described the conduct of American fans, who at one stage hurled a beer at his wife Erica, as "unacceptable" and "off-limits".

Team Europe fully expected the spectators to be rowdy and passionate — captain Luke Donald even gave players virtual-reality goggles to get used to the noise — but perhaps not crass and downright obnoxious.

US golf legend Tom Watson condemned the fans' actions. "I'd like to apologise for the rude and mean-spirited behaviour from our American crowd at Bethpage," the eight-time Major champion said. "As a former player, captain, and as an American, I am ashamed of what happened."

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DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

To,

Borrower : 1) Mr. SIDDAIAH K
FLAT NO- 2, IST Floor , carona wing brigade gateway apts, malleshwaram, bangalore-560085, karnataka-india
2) Mr. CHANDRA BABU KOTAKONDA
15 1 gudarla banda pakala , gorpadu chittoor ,andhra pradesh-517112
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Infantry Road Branch (1927)** (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (hereinafter referred as the "Act") do hereby issue this notice to you as under:

That **Mr. SIDDAIAH K, and Mr. CHANDRA BABU KOTAKONDA (BORROWER AND CO-BORROWER)** (hereinafter referred to as "the Borrower") has availed credit facility / facilities stated in the Schedule A hereunder and has entered the security agreement/s in favour of the secured creditor. While availing the said financial assistance, you have expressly undertaken to repay the loan amount/s in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above-mentioned agreements.
You have also entered into agreements against the secured assets which are detailed in Schedule B hereunder.
However, from **24-06-2025,** the operation and conduct of the said financial assistance / credit facilities have become irregular. The books of account maintained by the secured creditor shows that the liability of the Borrower towards the secured creditor as on **24-09-2025** amounts to **Rs.79,48,062.89 (Rupees Seventy nine lakhs forty eight thousand sixty two and paisa Eighty Nine Only)** the details of which together with future interest rate are stated in Schedule C hereunder. It is further stated that the Borrower/Co Borrower having failed to keep up with the terms of the above said agreement in clearing the dues of the secured creditor within the time given, and have been evasive in settling the dues. The operation and conduct of the above said financial assistance / credit facility/ies having come to a stand still and as a consequence of the default committed in repayment of principal debt/ instalment and interest thereon, the secured creditor was constrained to classify the debt as **Non Performing Asset (NPA)** as on **23-09-2025** in accordance with the directives/guidelines relating to asset classification issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
The secured creditor through this notice brings to your attention that the Borrower has failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in Schedule C hereunder to the secured creditor within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rates mentioned in "Schedule-C"together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the secured creditor in recovering its dues. Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the secured creditor the aforesaid sum of Rs.79,48,062.89 (Rupees Seventy nine lakhs forty eight thousand sixty two and paisa Eighty Nine Only) together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, the secured creditor will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13, the extract of which is given here below to convey the seriousness of this issue:
13(4)- In case the Borrower/Co-Borrower fails to discharge liability in full within the period specified in sub-section (2), the secured creditor may take recourse to one or more of the following measures to recover his secured debt, namely.
(a) Take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower/Co-Borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset;
(b) Take over the management of the business of the Borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset:
Provided that the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale shall be exercised only where the substantial part of the business of the Borrower is held as security for the debt; Provided further that where the management of whole of the business or part of the business is severable, the secured creditor shall take over the management of such business of the borrower which is relatable to the security for the debt;
and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.
You are also put on notice that in terms of section 13(13) the Borrower/Co-Borrower shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule B hereunder without obtaining written consent of the secured creditor. It is further brought to your notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction/ restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence and if for any reason, the secured assets are sold or leased out in the ordinary course of business, the sale proceeds or income realized shall be deposited with the secured creditor. In this regard you shall have to render proper accounts of such realization / income.
This notice of Demand is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which the secured creditor may have including further demands for the sums found due and payable by you.
This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the Act and/or any other law in force.
Please comply with the demand under this notice and avoid all unpleasantness. In case of Non- compliance, further needful action will be resorted to, holding you liable for all costs and consequence.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

schedule - A

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount
1.	1927619000014	HOUSING LOAN	**30/06/2018**	Rs.82,50,000/-
2.	1927619000015	HOUSING LOAN	**27/07/2018**	Rs. 10,00,000/-

schedule - B
[Details of secured assets]

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Site No. 50, Khata No. 1178, carved out of converted land in Sy.No.126, Bagalakunte Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: 58 feet and North to South ::35 feet and in all admeasuring 2030 sq. ft. and bounded on the : **East by:** Property No. 51, **West by:** Road , **North by:** Property No. 49 And **South by:** Panchayath Road.With buildings, structures etc thereon.
Name Of Title Holder: Mr. K SIDDAIAH

schedule - C

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Liability with interest as on 24.09.2025	RATE OF INTEREST (Including penal interest)
1.	1927619000014	HOUSING LOAN	**Rs. 74,43,709.89**	11.00%
2.	1927619000015	HOUSING LOAN	**Rs. 5,04,353.00**	10.85%

Place : Bangalore
Date : 03.10.2025
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DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

To,

Borrower : 1) MR.RAVINDRA K M S/O VEERABHADRAIAH
NO.213 , R.R layout ,nagadevanahalli ,Jnanabharathi post, kengeri,Bengaluru 560056
2) MR. VINAY KUMAR K R (Guarantor)
NO 21 3, R R layout , Nagadevana halli ,Bengaluru-560056
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Cunningham Road (0431)**(hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (hereinafter referred as the "Act") dohereby issue this notice to you as under:

That **Sri.RAVINDRA K M** (hereinafter referred to as "the Borrowers"1) have availed credit facility / facilities stated in the Schedule A hereunder and has entered into the security agreement/s in favour of the secured creditor. While availing the said financial assistance, you have expressly undertaken to repay the loan amount/s in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above mentioned agreements.
That **Mr. Vinay Kumar** (hereinafter referred to as "the Guarantor") has guaranteed for the payment on demand of all moneys and discharge all obligations and liabilities owing or incurred to the secured creditor by the Borrower for credit facilities up to the limit of **Rs.78,00,000.00 (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakhs only)** with interest thereon.
You (The person mentioned in schedule B) are also entered in to agreements against thesecured assets which are detailed in Schedule B hereunder
However, from **22-06-2025,** the operation and conduct of the said financial assistance / credit facilities have become irregular. The books of account maintained by the secured assets shows that the liability of the Borrower towards the secured creditor as on date amounts to **Rs.56,34,621.00 (Rupees Fifty Six lakh Thirty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty One only)**, the details of which together with future interest rate are stated in Schedule C hereunder. It is further stated that the Borrower/Guarantor having failed to keep up with the terms of the above said agreement in clearing the dues of the secured creditor within the time given, and have been evasive in settling the dues. The operation and conduct of the above said financial assistance / credit facility/ies having come to a standstill and as a consequence of the default committed in repayment of principal debt/ installment and interest thereon, the secured creditor was constrained to classify the debt as **Non-Performing Asset (NPA)as on 21-09-2025** in accordance with the directives/guidelines relating to asset classification issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
The secured creditor through this notice brings to your attention that the Borrower has failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in **Schedule C** hereunder to the secured creditorwithin 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rate mentioned hereunder **schedule C** together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the secured creditor in recovering its dues.
Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the secured creditor the aforesaid sum of **Rs.56,34,621.00 (Rupees Fifty Six lakh Thirty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty One only)** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, the secured creditor will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13, the extract of which is given here below to convey the seriousness of this issue:
13(4)- In case the Borrower/Guarantor fails to discharge liability in full within the period specified in sub-section (2), the secured creditor may take recourse to one or more of the following measures to recover his secured debt, namely;
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(b) Take over the management of the business of the Borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease,assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset:
Provided that the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale shall be exercised only where the substantial part of the business of the Borrower is held as security for the debt;
Provided further that where the management of whole of the business or part of the business is severable, the secured creditor shall take over the management of such business of the borrower which is relatable to the security for the debt; and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.
You are also put on notice that in terms of section 13(13) the Borrower/Guarantor shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule B hereunder without obtaining written consent of the secured creditor. It is further brought to your notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction/ restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence and if for any reason, the secured assets are sold or leased out in the ordinary course of business, the sale proceeds or income realized shall be deposited with the secured creditor. In this regard you shall have to render proper accounts of such realization / income.
This notice of Demand is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which the secured creditor may have including further demands for the sums found due and payable by you.
This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the Act and/or any other law in force.
Please comply with the demand under this notice and avoid all unpleasantness. In case of Non- compliance, further needful action will be resorted to, holding you liable for all costs and consequence.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

schedule - A

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount
1.	0431619000168	HOUSING FINANCE	**07/02/2014**	Rs. 78,00,000.00

schedule - B
[Details of secured assets]

Residential Property bearing Corporation No.21/3,BBMP Khatha No.1109/992/958/32/6/21/83/3 situated at Nagadevenahalli Village,Kengeri Hobli,Bangalore South Taluk along with building comprising stilt,ground,first and second floor building and the site measuring East to west 40 feet and North to South 30 feet and bounded on the **East by:** Site No 21/4, **West by :** Site No.21/2, **North by:** Road And **South by:** Private property.
Name Of Title Holder: Mr. Ravindra K M

schedule - C

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Liability as on Date 22.09.2025	RATE OF INTEREST (Including penal interest)
1.	0431619000168	HOUSING FINANCE	**Rs.56,34,621.00**	11.35%

Place : Bangalore
Date : 03.10.2025
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -2
Jeevan Mangal Building, (2nd Floor) No. 4, Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560 025.

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
(See Sec.25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rule 48-51 of the II Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961)
TRC No. 2457/2018 (DCP 3413) IN OA No.397/2003

Between : Canara Bank, Basavanagudi Branch ...**Certificate Holder/Applicant**
AND
G.C. COLOR LAB AND OTHERS ...**Certificate Debtors/Defendants**
1.G. C. Color Lab, No. 138, Gajendra Complex , 50 ft Road, Hanumantha Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 050.
2. N. S. Chadrakanth S/o. N. E. Siddagangaiah, No. 20, 10th Main 4th Cross, Hanumantha Nagar, Bangalore - 560 019.
3. B.S. Narayan Rao, S/o. Subba Rao, No. 6/7F, 9th Cross, 4th Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore - 560 018.
5. Mrs. Girija Devi, W/o. N. E. Siddalingaiah, No. 20, 10th Main, 4th Cross, Hanumantha Nagar, Bangalore - 560 019. ...**CDs**.
Whereas the above named Certificate Debtors were ordered by the Recovery Certificate to pay to the Applicant Bank (Certificate Holder) a sum of **Rs.21,37,483/-** (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty three only) together with interest applicable/payable as per the Recovery Certificate (R.C) till the date of realization and whereas the said sum has not been paid by the CDs.The CH Bank stated in its affidavit vide document No. 9500/2025 that ason 24.06.2025 a sum of Rs.5,34,90,746.25 ps (Rupees Five Crore Thirty Four Lakh Ninety Thousand Seven Hundred forty six and paise Twenty Five Only) is due from the CDs.
This is to command you to attach the immovable property of the said Certificate Debtors as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed, or which shall be pointed out to you by the said Certificate and unless the said Certificate Debtors shall pay to you the above said sum as per R.C. and costs of this attachment, to hold the same until further orders from the Recovery Officer. You are further commanded to return the warrant on or before **18.08.2025** with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which it has been executed, or why it has not been executed.

SPECIFICATION OF PROPERTY
SCHEDULE "II" PROPERTY OF RECOVERY CERTIFICATE
All the piece and parcel of the immovable house building Sy. No. 12/1, New Municipal No. 29/1, situated at Matadahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet bounded by : North by : House of Lakshmamma, South by : House of Channamma, East: Road, West: Conservancy.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this **04.07.2025.**
Sd/- Recovery Officer-1
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2, Bengaluru

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Syndicate

SAMPANGIRAMNAGAR BRANCH: #12/2, Lalbagh Road, Sampangiramnagar Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560027
Email: cb1175@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Borrower : 1) Mrs.LAKSHMI D (Borrower)
D.No.169,11th cross, S R Nagar ,Bengaluru-560027
2) Mr.DURAIRAJ P (Co-borrower)
NO 169 11TH Cross , S R Nagar ,Bengaluru-560027
Also Residing at : Mr.P DORAIRAJ S/O LATE PURUSHOTHAM CHETTIYAR
No.13,5th Cross , chowdappa coconut garden, hosakerahalli , Bengaluru-560085
3) Mr.GOPINATH D (Co-borrower)
#169 New no 24 11th cross , 3rd main near beml corporate office ,S R Nagar , Bengaluru-560027
Also Residing at : Mr.GOPINATH D S/O DURAIRAJ P
No.13,5th cross ,chowdappa coconut garden, hosakerahalli,Bengaluru-560085
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Samapngiramnagara (1175)**(hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (hereinafter referred as the "Act") dohereby issue this notice to you as under:

That **Mrs.LAKSHMI D, DURAIRAJ P** and **GOPINATH D (BORROWER AND CO-BORROWERS)** (hereinafter referred to as "the Borrower") has availed credit facility / facilities stated in the Schedule A hereunder and has entered into the security agreement/s in favour of the secured creditor. While availing the said financial assistance, you have expressly undertaken to repay the loan amount/s in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above mentioned agreements.
You have also entered in to agreements against the secured assets which are detailed in Schedule B hereunder.
However, from **18-04-2025,** the operation and conduct of the said financial assistance / credit facilities have become irregular. The books of account maintained by the secured creditor
shows that the liability of the Borrower towards the secured creditor as on **23-09-2025** amounts to **Rs. 2,60,802.31 (Rupees Two lakhs Sixty Thousand Eight Hundred Two and Paisa Thirty One Only)** the details of which together with future interest rate are stated in Schedule C hereunder. It is further stated that the Borrower/Co Borrower having failed to keep up with the terms of the above said agreement in clearing the dues of the secured creditor within the time given, and have been evasive in settling the dues. The operation and conduct of the above said financial assistance / credit facility/ies having come to a standstill and as a consequence of the default committed in repayment of principal debt/ instalment and interest thereon, the secured creditor was constrained to classify the debt as **Non Performing Asset (NPA) as on 17-07-2025** in accordance with the directives/guidelines relating to asset classification issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
The secured creditor through this notice brings to your attention that the Borrower has failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in Schedule C hereunder to the secured creditor within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rates mentioned in "Schedule-C"together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the secured creditor in recovering its dues. Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the secured creditor the aforesaid sum of **Rs. 2,60,802.31 (Rupees Two lakhs Sixty Thousand Eight Hundred Two and Paisa Thirty One Only)** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, the secured creditor will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13, the extract of which is given here below to convey the seriousness of this issue:
13(4)- In case the Borrower/Guarantor fails to discharge liability in full within the period specified in sub-section (2), the secured creditor may take recourse to one or more of the following measures to recover his secured debt, namely;
(a) Take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower/Guarantor including the right to transfer by way of lease,assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset;
(b) Take over the management of the business of the Borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset:
Provided that the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale shall be exercised only where the substantial part of the business of the Borrower is held as security for the debt;
Provided further that where the management of whole of the business or part of the business is severable, the secured creditor shall take over the management of such business of the borrower which is relatable to the security for the debt; and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.
You are also put on notice that in terms of section 13(13) the Borrower/Guarantor shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule B hereunder without obtaining written consent of the secured creditor. It is further brought to your notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction/ restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence and if for any reason, the secured assets are sold or leased out in the ordinary course of business, the sale proceeds or income realized shall be deposited with the secured creditor. In this regard you shall have to render proper accounts of such realization / income.
This notice of Demand is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which the secured creditor may have including further demands for the sums found due and payable by you.
This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the Act and/or any other law in force.
Please comply with the demand under this notice and avoid all unpleasantness. In case of Non- compliance, further needful action will be resorted to, holding you liable for all costs and consequence.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

schedule - A

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount
1.	1175619004441	HOUSING LOAN	**12/05/2017**	.Rs.8,00,000/-

schedule - B
[Details of secured assets]

All that piece and parcel of property being western portion of immovable property bearing old House List No.34 in old Khata No.24/1,old Pattanagere CMC Khata No.13/34-24/1,situated at Hosakerahalli Village,Uttarahalli Hobli ,Bangalore South Taluk,presently within the limits of BBMP and bearing New BBMP Khata No.14/13/13/34/24/1, New PID No.160-W0187-49,BBMP Ward No.160 of Rajarajeshwari Nagar,Bangalore , measuring East to West 15 feet and North to South 40 feet in all measuring 600 Sq.ft. (out of schedule-A property measuring 1200 Sq.feet) bounded on the **East by:** Eastern portion of Schedule-A property, **West by :** Property bearing No.35, **North by:** Property bearing No.27 And **South by:** Road.
Name Of Title Holder: Sri. P DORAI RAJ and Smt.LAKSHMI D

schedule - C

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Liability With Interest A s on Date 23.09.2025	RATE OF INTEREST (Including penal interest)
1.	1175619004441	HOUSING LOAN	**Rs. 2,60,802.31**	11.20%

Place : Bangalore
Date : 03.10.2025
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore - 560 001

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION
(See Sec. 25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act 1993 read II Scheduld to the Income Tax Act 1961).
TRC No. 2457/2018 (DCP 3413) IN OA No.397/2003

Between : Canara Bank, Basavanagudi Branch ...**Certificate Holder/Applicant**
AND
G.C. COLOR LAB AND OTHERS ...**Certificate Debtors/Defendants**
1.G. C. Color Lab, No. 138, Gajendra Complex , 50 ft Road, Hanumantha Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 050.
2. N. S. Chadrakanth S/o. N. E. Siddagangaiah, No. 20, 10th Main 4th Cross, Hanumantha Nagar, Bangalore - 560 019.
3. B.S. Narayan Rao, S/o. Subba Rao, No. 6/7F, 9th Cross, 4th Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore - 560 018.
5. Mrs. Girija Devi, W/o. N. E. Siddalingaiah, No. 20, 10th Main, 4th Cross, Hanumantha Nagar, Bangalore - 560 019.
Whereas in execution of Certificate TRC No.2457/2018 (DCP 3413) **in O.A. No. 397/2003** issued by Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore, the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned immovable properties.
You are hereby informed that the day on or after the fifteenth day from the date from the date of service of this notice, has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SPECIFICATION OF PROPERTY
SCHEDULE "II" PROPERTY OF RECOVERY CERTIFICATE
All the piece and parcel of the immovable house building Sy. No. 12/1, New Municipal No. 29/1, situated at Matadahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet bounded by : North by : House of Lakshmamma, South by : House of Channamma, East: Road, West: Conservancy.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this **04.07.2025.**
Sd/- Recovery Officer-1
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2, Bengaluru

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SHOOLAY BRANCH : #87/8, ST. PATRICK CHURCH COMPLEX, RESIDENCY ROAD
Email: cb10418@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

To,

Borrower : 1) RAVINDRA K M S/O VEERABHADRAIAH
No.213 ,R.R layout ,Nagadevanahalli , Jnanabharathi post, kengeri, Bengaluru-560056
2) Mr. VINAY KUMAR K R
NO 21 3, R R layout , Nagadevana halli,Bengaluru,Karnataka-560056
3) M/s.TOTAL SOLUTIONS Represented by Prop. K M RAVINDRA
28 47 59TH Cross 4th n block , rajajinagar , bengaluru north karnataka-560010
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank, **Shoolay Branch (10418)** (hereinafter referred to as "the secured creditor"), appointed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, (hereinafter referred as the "Act") dohereby issue this notice to you as under:

That **Mr. RAVINDRA KM and M/s TOTAL SOLUTIONS** represented by **Prop. Mr. Ravindra K M** (hereinafter referred to as "the Borrowers"1) have availed credit facility / facilities stated in the Schedule A hereunder and has entered into the security agreement/s in favour of the secured creditor.While availing the said financial assistance, you have expressly undertaken to repay the loan amount/s in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above mentioned agreements.
That **Mr. Vinay Kumar** (hereinafter referred to as "the Guarantor") has guaranteed for the Housing loan with Account Number 04187740000212 for the payment on demand of all moneys and discharge all obligations and liabilities owing or incurred to the secured creditor by the Borrower for credit facilities up to the limit of **Rs.59,00,000.00 (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs only)** with interest thereon.
You (The person mentioned in schedule B) are also entered in to agreements against the secured assets which are detailed in Schedule B hereunder.
However, from **22-06-2025**, the operation and conduct of the said financial assistance / credit facilities have become irregular. The books of account maintained by the secured assets shows that the liability of the Borrower towards the secured creditor as on date amounts to **Rs.3,08,95,325.06 (Rupees Three Crore Eight Lakhs Ninty Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Five And Paisa Six Only)**, the details of which together with future interest rate are stated in Schedule C hereunder. It is further stated that the Borrower/Guarantor having failed to keep up with the terms of the above said agreement in clearing the dues of the secured creditor within the time given, and have been evasive in settling the dues. The operation and conduct of the above said financial assistance / credit facility/ies having come to a standstill and as a consequence of the default committed in repayment of principal debt/ installment and interest thereon, the secured creditor was constrained to classify the debt as **Non-Performing Asset (NPA) as on 21.09.2025**in accordance with the directives/guidelines relating to asset classification issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
The secured creditor through this notice brings to your attention that the Borrower has failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in **Schedule C** hereunder to the secured creditorwithin 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rate mentioned hereunder **schedule C** together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the secured creditor in recovering its dues.
Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the secured creditor the aforesaid sum of **Rs. 3,08,95,325.06(Rupees Three Crore Eight Lakhs Ninty Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Five And Paisa Six Only)**,together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, the secured creditor will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13, the extract of which is given here below to convey the seriousness of this issue:
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(a) Take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower/Guarantor including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset;
(b) Take over the management of the business of the Borrower including the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realizing the secured asset:
Provided that the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale shall be exercised only where the substantial part of the business of the Borrower is held as security for the debt;
Provided further that where the management of whole of the business or part of the business is severable, the secured creditor shall take over the management of such business of the borrower which is relatable to the security for the debt; and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.
You are also put on notice that in terms of section 13(13) the Borrower/Guarantor shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule B hereunder without obtaining written consent of the secured creditor. It is further brought to your notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction/ restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence and if for any reason, the secured assets are sold or leased out in the ordinary course of business, the sale proceeds or income realized shall be deposited with the secured creditor. In this regard you shall have to render proper accounts of such realization / income.
This notice of Demand is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which the secured creditor may have including further demands for the sums found due and payable by you.
This is without prejudice to any other rights available to the secured creditor under the Act and/or any other law in force.
Please comply with the demand under this notice and avoid all unpleasantness. In case of Non- compliance, further needful action will be resorted to, holding you liable for all costs and consequence.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

schedule - A

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount
1.	04187740000212	HOUSING LOAN	**09/10/2015**	Rs. 59,00,000.00
2.	04181400000395	SOD	**01/12/2020**	Rs.2,50,00,000.00

schedule - B
[Details of secured assets]

All that piece and parcel of property bearing portion of Site no.16,BBMP Khatha No.1061/1025/32/6/16 situated in Nagadevanahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,within limits of BBMP,Kengeri Sub-Division measuring East to West : Northern side of 50-0 feet,Southern side 44-0 feet and North to South : Eastern side 26.34,Western side 27 feet ,in all measuring 1200 Sq ft. along with RCC Building with all civic amenities and bounded on the : **East by:** 30-0 feet Road, **West by:**Site No.15, **North by:** Northern portion of site No.16 pertains to M VNagaraj And **South by:** Private Property.
Name Of Title Holder: Mr.Ravindra K M

schedule - C

SL NO	Loan No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Liability as on Date	RATE OF INTEREST (Including penal interest)
1.	04187740000212	HOUSING FINANCE	**Rs. 50,35,663.00**	11.25%
2.	04181400000395	SOD	**Rs.2,58,59,662.06**	13.85%

Place : Bangalore
Date : 03.10.2025
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

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I, NAVEEN. A Michael S/o Anthony, R/at No. 179, North Tank Block, Coromandel Post, K G F-563118, K G F Taluk, Kolar Dist, declare that both the names Naveen. A Michael and Naveen. A refers pertaining to one and the same person i.e., myself only vide Affidavit dated 30/09/2025 sworn before Notary N.Srinivasa, K G F.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, NEHA Gulati, D/o Jaidev Gulati, R/a Flat No 260, Sector C, Jal Vayu Vihar, Kammanahalli, Bangalore-560043 hereby state that both the names Neha Gulati and Neha Agiwal belongs to one and the same person i.e., me only vide affidavit dt: 03.10.2025 sworn before Notary Y.R.Chandrasekar, B'lore

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IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE PRINCIPAL SUBORDINATE JUDGE AT KANCHIPURAM
O.P.No. 122 of 2025
Mr. S. Arul, S/o. Mr. Sachithanandam No. 47, Rajagopal Street, Vadivel Nagar, Kanchipuram and his parental home of previously reside at No. 52, Moventhar Pandiyan Street, Katchabeswarar Nagar, Kanchipuram - 631502 ...**Petitioner**
Vs
Mrs. Preethi, D/o Kalaivanan, W/o. Mr. Arul, Door No. 275, Karthick Illam Chellavaya Road, Rammoorthy Nagar, Krishnarajapuram, Bangalore - 560016 ...**Respondent**
Notice
In the above case, the petitioner has filed this case for the prayer of claiming Divorce from the Respondent of you. As per the order of this Hon'ble Court this announcement of notice published for the appearance of the Respondent of you, before the Hon'ble Court on dated **30.10.2025** at 10.30 am. The respondent of you is here by informed to appear before the Hon'ble Principal Sub-judge, Kanchipuram at 10.30 am on dated **30.10.2025** by in person of you or through your Counsel before the Hon'ble Court, failing which the above case may be decided in your absence.
D.Vinothan, M.Sc,L.L.B., Advocate Kanchipuram - 1, Cell: **9443596943**

PUBLIC NOTICE
My client is intending to purchase the schedule property **Mr. K.V. SHIVA KUMAR,** Aged about 78 years, S/o. Viswanathaiah setty, Residing at #3, Church Road, Opp Madhava Rao Circle, Basavanagudi, Bangalore -560004, Aadhar-7019 2949 9128, PAN No. AELPS7205Q.
Any person/banking institutions/Non-Banking company, etc., has got any sort of legal right, claim, interest over the schedule property or having any sort of objection for the said sale transaction, shall approach the under mentioned Advocate within **7 days** from this day, with documentary evidence, failing which my client shall proceed further in accordance with the terms of the agreement to sell considering there is no objection to the said sale transaction.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF residential **Plot No.70,** measuring (East to West 50 Feet) and (North to South 30 Feet) admeasuring a total site area of 139.29 Square Meters (equivalent to 1499 Square Feet) known as 'Century Seasons', survey No. 39/1, measuring 3 acres 19 guntas, survey No. 39/2, measuring 5acres, survey No. 40/2, measuring 5 acres 06 guntas (inclusive of 8 guntas of regularized converted A kharab land), survey No. 40/3, measuring 3 acres 01 guntas, survey No. 43/1, measuring 4 acres 15 guntas; and survey No. 43/2, measuring 4 acres, of **Lakshmipura Village, Kasaba Hobli, (earlier part of Kundana Hobli), Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District** and is bounded on the:
East by : Plot No.55
West by : 9.14 M Wide Road
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Karnataka sees sharp increase in road accidents

Among 53 cities across India, Bengaluru is ranked in the top five with a 30.3% increase in accidents; it was preceded by Ranchi (50.3%), Varanasi (46.3%), and Pune (35%)

The Hindu Bureau
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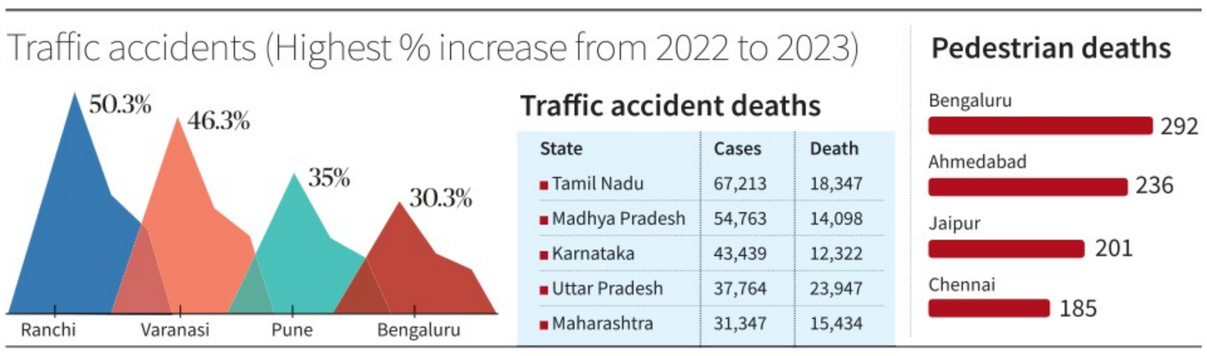

A data from the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) stated that about 29% of accident victims in Karnataka in 2023 lost their lives.

Karnataka is also among the top three States and Union Territories that recorded the highest percentage increase in road and traffic accidents in 2023. The State ranked third with a 9.2% rise, behind Puducherry (10.7%) and Nagaland (9.2%). However, the surge in Karnataka is particularly alarming, as Puducherry and Nagaland reported fewer than 100 and 1,500 cases respectively, while Karnataka recorded 43,439 accidents in 2023, compared to 39,765 in 2022.

Among 53 cities across India, Bengaluru ranked in the top five with a 30.3% increase in accidents. It was preceded by Ranchi (50.3%), Varanasi (46.3%), and Pune (35%). Karnataka and Bengaluru also featured in the top five for traffic accident fatalities. The State reported 12,322 deaths in 2023, of which 915 occurred in Bengaluru. This means that about 18.37% of accident victims in the city lost their lives. A senior police officer, who had earlier served in the traffic department, highlighted the disproportionately high number of accident deaths in rural areas. He explained, "There is little or no enforcement of traffic rules in rural areas.

'Tourist inflows must be considered when analysing accident data, as Karnataka has witnessed a significant rise in tourism after the pandemic years'

If you scrutinise the data, the number of deaths in rural areas compared to the number of vehicles is the highest, which clearly points to a lack of enforcement and the urgent need for it." He also stressed that tourist inflows must be considered when analysing accident data, as Karnataka has witnessed a significant rise in tourism after the pandemic years.

Another officer, currently serving in Bengaluru city, said that several measures have been introduced to curb accidents. However, in a city with more than 1.2 crore vehicles and a large floating population, bringing the numbers down drastically is nearly impossible.

"Bengaluru Traffic Police have been vigilant and are among the best at enforcing traffic laws. But with a large number of new drivers entering the roads every day, the likelihood of accidents remains high," he noted.

The officer further pointed out that accidents are not solely a result of poor enforcement but also stem from inadequate infrastructure.

"In the past, there was very little coordination between the traffic police and civic bodies. This lack of coordination has contributed to worsening numbers, and even today, such a gap still exists in the city," he added.

Pedestrian deaths rising due to lack of footpaths, rising black spots

The Hindu Bureau
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With 292 fatalities, Bengaluru accounted for 9.48% of the total pedestrian deaths in 53 major cities in 2023, topping the chart for the highest number of pedestrian deaths that year, according to National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB) data.

Traffic police attribute the rise to a growing population, lack of lane discipline, infrastructure shortcomings, and an increasing number of accident black spots. Bengaluru ranked first in pedestrian fatalities, followed by Ahmedabad (236) and Jaipur (201), according to the NCRB data. At the State level, Karnataka also ranked third among the States and union territories, with 2,386 pedestrian deaths, trailing only behind Bihar (3,462) and Tamil Nadu (4,577).

A senior police officer explained that many footpaths in Bengaluru are inaccessible, either due to encroachments or littered with garbage. "In most cases, there is no visible footpath at all. These factors force people to walk on the roads, which is a major concern," he said.

"Add accident black spots to these issues, and the risk of fatalities increases. These black spots often arise due to garbage accumulation and dumped construction debris," the officer said. He also highlighted cases where pedestrians were critically injured and later died due to motrocyclists performing stunts using two-wheelers in violation of the law.

To address these issues, the Bengaluru traffic police launched a drive in 2024 to identify black spots, which proved successful. However, the initiative was not expanded. The officer noted that busy commercial hubs such as Chikpete, Kamakshipalya, and J.C. Road lack safe pedestrian crossings, which further worsens the situation.

"Previously, even doctors conducting post-mortems on accident victims would suggest possible causes based on the nature of injuries. Bengaluru needs a similar model-bringing together civic bodies, traffic police, doctors, and citizen groups–to address infrastructure issues," he said.

New metro train set arrives

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A new metro train set has arrived at the Hebbagodi Depot, which is expected to help reduce train intervals on the Yellow Line to around 15 minutes, according to the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL).

The fifth train set reached the depot on September 30. BMRCL Managing Director J. Ravishankar inspected the train set on Friday. The BMRCL stated that the train will undergo testing and service trials before being introduced for passenger use. He directed officials to expedite the process to address the increase in the number of passengers and improve the operations.

After multiple delays, survey to begin today in GBA limits

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The Social and Educational Survey, which was expected to begin within the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) limits on Friday after multiple delays, was once again called off. The survey will commence on Saturday, GBA Chief M. Maheshwar Rao said.

Explaining why the process was delayed, a senior official from one of the corporations told *The Hindu* that the first half of Friday had been set aside for enumerator training. However, many enumerators did not turn up citing that they were not given options to select their desired locations. The survey was initially supposed to start in the second half of the day, but that time was instead used to finalise schedules and accommodate the enumerators' location preferences.

'Better data collection'

"The enumerators argue that allowing them to work in their preferred locations will help improve efficiency and accuracy of the survey. Familiarity with the area would enable them to navigate more easily, engage better with respondents and complete data collection better. This, enumerators claim, would reduce logistical challenges and delays, ensuring that the survey can cover all allotted regions systematically. Hence now we have given them choices, and we are expecting to begin the survey on Saturday," the official added.

Another official, however, claimed that enumerators had already been given 10 location choices, but many did not submit their preferences on time, which delayed the scheduling or allotment process. "Ten options were given, but out of all, only about 8,000 people had filled them. We could not generate or allot wards like that as it would have hampered the process. We have now instructed the rest to fill in the option forms," the official added. A total of 22,000 people were initially sent notices to participate in the survey. After exemptions for those who are terminally ill, in the retirement stage, pregnant or lactating women, at least 17,000 enumerators are expected to participate.

Two rounds of training

Speaking at a virtual meeting organised by the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes on Friday, Mr. Rao said that surveyors picked from various government departments have undergone two rounds of training at corporation level and have been instructed to complete the work swiftly. The exercise will be supervised by commissioners of the five corporations under the GBA, with Additional, Joint, and Deputy Commissioners directed to actively participate in monitoring.

To ensure smooth execution, the government has appointed one senior KAS officer as nodal officer for each Assembly constituency.

A total of 34 officers have been deployed to coordinate between surveyors and the government. One deputy supervisor will monitor every 15 to 20 surveyors, with each surveyor assigned to cover around 300 households, Mr. Rao added.

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Truck driver held after vehicle runs over girl

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Police have arrested a 33-year-old truck driver for allegedly running over a college student near Budigere Cross on Monday.

The driver has been identified as Jayaruddin Mandal, a resident of Mandur. He is a native of West Bengal.

According to the police, the deceased, 22-year-old Dhanushree from Hoskote, fell from her scooter while navigating a bad stretch of road.

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COVER

How urban India rethinks office space

From Mumbai to Gurugram, managed workspaces redefine flexibility, cost-efficiency, and the modern corporate experience

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Ashish Agarwal

The traditional office culture in India's most vibrant business hubs is changing fast. Fully managed workspaces are transforming not only the way companies work, but what can be considered a workspace at all. These flexible, ready-to-go office solutions are gaining incredible popularity across metros, from Mumbai, Bengaluru, Gurugram to Pune – providing flexibility, cost advantages and a congenial workspace that meets the requirements of the contemporary business.

The days when businesses were shackled to traditional, years-long office leases laden with maintenance, capital expenditure on infrastructure, and set environments are now over. The surging trend of flexible work arrangements, hastened by the COVID-19 pandemic, has revealed a new picture. Startups to SMEs to large corporates, organisations of all sizes are looking for office solutions that can adjust quickly and easily to the evolving requirements of their workforce.

This is where fully managed workspaces come into the picture – turnkey offices pre-fitted with cutting-edge amenities, IT infrastructure and support services that you need to succeed.

There are such examples in Indian business centres such as Mumbai, Bengaluru and the National Capital Region, which continue to see insatiable inflows of newer companies and growing teams. These magnets to urban hustle draw a skyrocketing appetite for premium class, hassle-free office spaces.

Fully serviced workspaces do an excellent job of fitting this demand curve – providing plug-and-play offices that saves the middleman from worrying about fit-outs, furniture, and tech setups. Amenities include meeting rooms, high-speed Internet, security, reception services, and on-site maintenance.

Flexibility and cost efficiency

Startups and small businesses can be overloaded with office procurement and maintenance. Customers pay for only what they use in space and services, and grow or shrink without downtime. This provides it with a financial and operational cushion which is very valuable in a volatile market.

Now, large brands also see benefit in those spaces to speed up expansion into new cities or districts, without having to invest in expensive real estate. The demand for flexible workspaces has shot up globally, and nowhere is the trend more evident than in Indian business centres.

At the core of fully managed workspaces is strong technology infrastructure. From intelligent access controls and IoT-connected energy management to premium quality video conferencing, the offices facilitate greater productivity and seamless teamwork. Cloud platform compatibility and smooth IT support keep your business agile and connected.

Community curated spaces, lounges, cafes and wellness areas foster community, well-being and innovation in employees. This eclectic perspective is appealing to talent and especially attractive to new corporate cultures that emphasise work-life balance and creative spaces.

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The pandemic has even transformed post-pandemic work culture, which is moving towards a hybrid model of remote and in-person work schedules.

Turnkey spaces are flexible, with membership-based entry, hot desks, private offices and floor plans that can be tailored to a client's liking. This flexibility allows companies to create workspace solutions based on their specific operational needs and number and distribution of employees.

Workspace providers are also adding a layer of industry-specific customisation for industries like finance, tech, media and healthcare, rolling out industry-tailored features such as compliance, audio enhancements and privacy zones. The rise of managed workspaces in India's busiest business localities is a clear departure from how offices have been traditionally conceived of, sourced and managed.

Blending flexibility, tech and an employee-first design approach, these spaces enable businesses to innovate faster, pivot smarter and to flourish amid a perpetually changing economy.

With businesses competing harder, employees demanding more and more, managed workspaces may just be the new normal of the Indian commercial real estate, redefining the workplace of the future.

The writer is founder and CEO, Enzyme Office Spaces.

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Veteran journalist T.J.S. George passes away

Padma Bhushan awardee, George began his career in journalism in the 1950s and went on to hold senior editorial positions in India and abroad

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

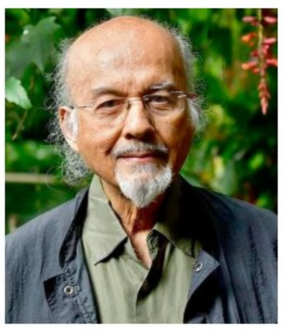
T.J.S. George, veteran journalist, biographer and columnist, who left a mark on Indian English journalism through his incisive commentary and uncompromising independence, passed away on Friday (October 3, 2025) due to age-related complications. He was 97.

According to family sources, he had undergone a renal surgery and was in a private hospital for a week. Mr. George is survived by his son – writer and poet Jeet Thayil – and daughter – journalist Sheba Thayil. His wife, Ammu George, predeceased him.

The funeral will be on Sunday at the Hebbal crematorium.

A Padma Bhushan awardee, Mr. George was born on May 7, 1928, as the fourth child of Thayil Thomas Jacob, a magistrate, and his wife Chachiamma Jacob.

He went on to graduate from the Madras Christian College with an honours in English literature before embarking on his journalistic career in the 1950s. He held senior editorial positions in India and abroad.


Journalist T.J.S George
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International stint

He achieved distinction internationally as a professional author, political columnist, and biographer with a series of major books.

He began his career in The Free Press Journal in Mumbai (then Bombay) in 1950. He moved through the International Press Institute, The Searchlight, and the Far Eastern Economic Review to become the founding editor of Asiaweek (Hong Kong). He was the Editorial Adviser of The New Indian Express.

One of the best known columnists in India, he continued his fight against social injustice, corruption, religious intolerance and in later years rightwing populist tendencies that threatened democracy through his weekly 'Point of View' column in The New Indian Express which ran for 25 years and ended in June, 2022. Over the decades, he became a respected voice who spoke truth to power, often challenging entrenched narratives with independence of mind.

An accomplished author, Mr. George wrote several biographies and works of political analysis, including *Lee Kuan Yew's Singapore, The Life and Times of Nargis, Krishna Menon: A Biography* and his most recent *The Dismantling of India: In 35 Portraits* – an irreverent compilation of essays about politicians, movie stars, criminals, musicians, industrialists, and activists.

His writings reflected his wide reading, cosmopolitan outlook, and deep commitment to democratic values.

Apart from the Padma Bhushan that was conferred upon him in 2011, he was honoured with the Rajyotsava Award in 2007 for his contribution to journalism and literature.

His other awards include Vakkom Moulavi Memorial Award (2024); Kesari Media Award (2017); Kamala Surayya Award (2017); Azeekodu Award (2013); Basheer Puraskaram Award (2008); Mohammed Koya Journalism Award (2005) and Patrika Academy Award (2001).

Colleagues and readers remembered him as a rare intellectual who combined rigorous analysis with elegant prose.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah condoled Mr. George's demise. In a post on 'X', he said, "Saddened by the passing of veteran journalist, editor and author T J S George. With his sharp pen and uncompromising voice, he enriched Indian journalism for over six decades.

He was a true public intellectual who made readers think, question and engage. My heartfelt condolences to his family, colleagues and countless admirers."

Tributes poured in from journalists and writers. In a condolence message, The Press Club of Bangalore, hailed him as a towering figure whose voice, spanning over decades, set a gold standard for integrity and insightful commentary.

'Girls studying in women's colleges have significant personality differences'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Sabiha Bhoomi Gowda, feminist thinker and former Vice-Chancellor of the Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women's University, said that women-only educational institutes pushed young women to shoulder all responsibilities, which was not the case in co-educational spaces.

Delivering the convocation address of Maharani Cluster University, Bengaluru, a girls-only institution, Prof. Bhoomi Gowda said, "I had worked for many years in co-educational spaces and observed significant differences in the personalities of young women studying in colleges for women and co-educational institutes."

"Young women in co-educational institutes, although talented, do not express their views clearly, do not think independently, and do not willingly accept any responsibility unless it is forced upon them. On the other hand, in girls-only educational institutions, it is the opposite," she said.

"Since they have to do every task themselves, they shoulder all the responsibilities without any hesitation. So this is a phenomenon worthy of thought," Prof. Bhoomi Gowda said.

Recipients of honorary doctorates being felicitated during the 2nd and 3rd convocation of Maharani Cluster University in Bengaluru on Friday. ALLEN EGENUSE J.

"Young women like you, who are in a socially advanced position should understand your responsibility towards other women who are not as privileged as you. We need to find the root causes of the atrocities against women, which are increasing day by day, and uproot them from the grass-root level," she said.

Minister for Higher Education M.C. Sudhakar said that it was a matter of concern that enrolment in Maharani Cluster University has been declining since it was declared a cluster university. He said there was a need to teach more courses that lead to employment opportunities.

Governor and Chancellor of the university Thaawarchand Gehlot said that respect for women has been an integral part of the nation's history, scriptures, and puranas.

"Our Constitution guarantees equal status to women and empowers States to take affirmative action to strengthen their role in society. Women's reservation is one of the steps that ensure their equal participation in public life and nation building," he said.

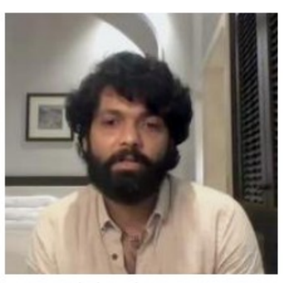
Maharani Cluster University conferred honorary doctorates to six eminent personalities including senior actor Bharathi Vishnuvardhan, industrialist Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, former cricketer Veda Krishnamurthy, writer and activist Du. Saraswathi, philanthropist H.N. Usha, and homeopath B.T. Rudresh.

Doddahatti Bore Gowda is best film; Rakshit Shetty, Archana Jois are best actor and actress

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka government has announced the State Film Awards for 2021, with *Doddahatti Bore Gowda* winning the best film and Rakshit Shetty taking home the best actor award for his performance in *Charlie 777*. KGF-fame Archana Jois was named best actress for her role in *Mute*.

Produced by Rajarajeshwari Combines and directed by Raghukesh M., *Doddahatti Bore Gowda* was chosen for the top honour by a jury headed by senior journalist Sadashiva Shenoy. *Charlie 777*, produced by Paramvah Studios and directed by Kiranraj K., has been declared second best film, while *Bisilu Kudure*, directed by Hridaya Shiva, won the third best film award. The award for best social concern film went to *Bharatada Prajegalaada Naavu*, directed and produced by Krishnamurthy Chamaram. Puneeth Rajkumar's *Yuvarathna* has been adjudged best popular entertaining film. Pramod won the best supporting actor for *Ratnan Prapancha*, while Umashree was named best supporting actress for the same film. Ravi Santhehaklu received the award for best art direction for *Bhajarangi 2* and Nagarjuna Sharma has been honoured as best lyricist for his song in *Charlie 777*. The best playback singer (Male) award went to Aneesh Keshav Rao for *Sri Jagannatha Dasaru*, while Sahana M. Bharadwaj was recognised as best playback singer (Female) for *Dandi*.


Actor Rakshit Shetty

The jury also made special mentions, with *Bhairavi* recognised as a film of merit; Yogi G. Raju being awarded for costume design in *Bhajarangi 2*, and Shivakumar honoured for his make-up work in *Thayi Kastur Gandhi*. Shivakumar S. has been named the best production executive for his work in *Pogaru*.

BJP-JD(S) alliance firm and will continue into all polls: Gowda

Former Prime Minister says his party is focused on the organisation and has set itself a target of winning at least 50 to 60 seats in the forthcoming civic polls in Bengaluru; JD(S) to hold a women's convention on October 12

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda on Friday affirmed that the Bharatiya Janata Party-Janata Dal (Secular) alliance will continue "without disruption" and extend to all forthcoming elections, including local bodies and the Assembly.

Addressing presspersons here on Friday, Mr. Gowda sought to dispel speculation about the continuation of the alliance. "Our partnership with the BJP is intact. There should be no doubts. It will continue in all the upcoming elections as well. My relationship with Prime Minister Narendra Modi has never changed and will not change. Over the past 10 years, I have not spoken lightly about him on any occasion," he asserted.

Focus on party organisation

Turning to the JD(S)'s own strategy, the veteran leader stressed the importance of strengthening the organisation at the grassroots.

"I am personally devoting time to party-building.

Former Prime Minister and JD(S) chief H.D. Deve Gowda, addressing a press conference in Bengaluru on Friday. K. MURALI KUMAR

Former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy had some health issues. But he has recovered completely now and will once again work actively for the party. His son, Nikhil Kumaraswamy, has been leading an energetic membership campaign across the State. Despite losing three elections, he has not remained idle. He has learnt lessons from defeat and is now working like a seasoned politician," Mr Gowda said.

Convention on Oct. 12

Asserting that the party was focusing on consolidating its presence in Bengaluru, Mr. Gowda said the JD(S) would hold a women's convention in the city on October 12, where 60,000 party workers were expected to gather.

"We will build the organisation from the grassroots. When elections come, our real strength will be visible," Mr. Gowda remarked, adding that the party had set itself a target of winning at least 50 to 60 seats in the forthcoming Bengaluru civic body elections.

Bidadi township

Responding to questions on the proposed Bidadi Township project, Mr. Gowda said he was fully aware of the details and the opposition from farmers to land acquisition.

"This project is under the Congress government. Farmers are opposing acquisition. Ultimately, people will give their verdict during elections. Until then, we must wait. There is no need to bring in names or individuals. Time will decide everything," he said.

Sets deadline for govt. to disclose flood relief details

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda on Friday set a 48-hour deadline for the Karnataka government to disclose comprehensive details of the relief measures taken in the flood-hit districts of Kalyana Karnataka.

Addressing a press conference at the Janata Dal (Secular) State headquarters here, Mr. Gowda said the people reeling under floods cannot be left in uncertainty.

"Relief must be implemented on a war-footing. In the next three to four days, I will visit the affected areas myself, by road wherever is possible. I will prepare a report to be submitted to Prime Minister Narendra Modi," he said, pointing out that if required he will also meet Mr. Modi.

The JD(S) supremo cautioned against politicising the calamity, and also flagged the State's financial condition.

"The financial condition of Karnataka has worsened due to the five guarantees, leaving the State without funds to tackle the severe flood situation," he said.

Internal bickering in Congress resurfaces as govt. approaches midway mark of tenure

Nagesh Prabhu
BENGALURU

As the ruling Congress in Karnataka approaches the midway mark in November, the internal bickering in the party seems to be increasing, with loyalists of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) president D.K. Shivakumar making their own demands before the party high command.

Two issues on hand

While loyalists of Mr. Siddaramaiah have been appealing to the party's top brass to affect a Cabinet reshuffle, the loyalists of the Deputy Chief Minister have been seeking a change of leadership in the government.

Sources in the Congress maintained that the party's central leaders are expected to take a decision on both issues – Cabinet reshuffle and leadership change – after elections in Bihar in November.

Some leaders of the party told *The Hindu* that the party's top brass is expected to give its nod to the Cabinet reshuffle, as the government would complete half of its five-year term next month. The Cabinet reshuffle would provide an opportunity for young legislators to join the government while seniors work for the party.

The party, still smarting from the embarrassment caused by its MLAs who spoke of a lack of development and alleged corruption in departments by Karnataka State Contractors' Association, found itself in the spotlight again as Congress legislator H.D. Ranganath, MLA for Kunigal constituency, reignited the issue of change of guard in the government. The MLA, a relative of the KPCC president, had undertaken a nine-day fast during Navaratri, to seek blessings for Mr. Shivakumar to become the Chief Minister by this year-end, Congress sources said.

Like in the past, KPCC issued show-cause notices to Dr. Ranganath, and former Mandya MP L.R. Shivarame Gowda for their statements predicting that Mr. Shivakumar would become the Chief Minister. By sending notices to both leaders, the KPCC chief seems to be sending out a message to the AICC that he was not prompting his loyalists to speak. Earlier too, the party had issued notices to Chennagiri MLA Basavaraju V. Shivaganga and Ramanagara MLA H.A. Iqbal Hussain, both loyalists of the KPCC chief.

In Mysuru, Mr. Siddaramaiah asserted that he would complete his five-year term and hoped that he would complete another two-and-a-half-year term with the support of the party high command.

No dissent: Surjewala

Meanwhile, AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala dismissed reports about any dissent in the party.

"Our KPCC president is fully authorised to ensure that everybody toes the party line and does not speak beyond their brief," he said. "Some people get excited, either on account of their emotions or otherwise, and make statements which are beyond the remit and realm of the party's discipline.... I have asked Mr. Shivakumar to deal with them accordingly."

However, internal bickering in the ruling party has provided ammunition to the BJP to hit out at the government for the lack of development work and delay in handling floods in Kalyana Karnataka.

State will have new CM by December, predicts Ashok

The Hindu Bureau
BELAGAVI

Adding to the ongoing speculation on leadership change in Karnataka, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R. Ashok on Friday claimed that the State will have a new Chief Minister by November or December.

Mr. Ashok, speaking in Belagavi, after visiting flood-hit areas, claimed, "I have definite information that there is a power sharing agreement between Mr. Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D. K. Shivakumar. Mr. Shivakumar wants to become the Chief Minister in a few months, but the Chief Minister is not allowing that. That is why there is a big internal fight in the Karnataka Congress. Supporters of Mr. Shivakumar, who are hinting of a leadership change, are being sidelined. Mr. Siddaramaiah is not ready to give up power, while Mr. Shivakumar does not stop trying."

The Chief Minister, speaking earlier this week in Mysuru, had asserted that he would continue in his post for the full term.

Mr. Ashok said that the BJP does not plan to stake claim to form the government if the Congress government falls due to such internal squabbles. "We will not form the government. We are ready to go to the polls," he said. "The State Government has run out of money. Congress MLAs themselves are saying that they have not received funds for development. The government is not even trying to fill potholes in Bengaluru roads."

From Page One

Monsoon averages out as 'normal' in Karnataka

But both Vijayapura and Kalaburagi districts received heavy rains in September, and not only was the shortfall of the earlier weeks bridged, but these districts were categorised under "large excess" category, the only two in the State.

While Vijayapura received 239 mm of rain in September, it was 61% higher than long period average. Kalaburagi received 285 mm and it was 63% higher than the long-term average for the month, according to KSNDMC.

Only two districts, Mysuru and Chamarajanagar, were under deficient category, as per KSNDMC while 23 districts were under ''normal'', and 6 districts under ''excess'' category.

AICC general secretary and Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala signs a banner during the Congress's campaign against vote theft, in Bengaluru on Friday. K. MURALI KUMAR

Surjewala accuses BJP of 'conspiracy' to steal people's mandate

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

AICC general secretary and Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala on Friday accused the Bharatiya Janata Party of a "designed conspiracy" to steal people's mandate through 'vote chori' (vote theft), calling it an attack on the Constitution and democracy.

Speaking to reporters after launching a signature campaign in Pulakeshinagar in the city against alleged vote theft, Mr. Surjewala claimed that 'vote chori' was not just restricted to one or two Assembly constituencies such as Mahadevapura and Aland, but had spread to the Assembly constituency in Maharashtra whose record was released by the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi.

He said, "Stealing of people's mandate is a deliberate attack on the Constitution and democracy. The sinister forces of the BJP have been snatching the right to elect a person of people's choice."

The Congress leader said the "designed conspiracy" was to take away the "one man, one vote" principle enshrined in the Constitution.

The Congress had launched a nationwide signature campaign on 'vote chori' against the forces of the BJP that had indulged in vote theft.

OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

DEATH

C P RADHA
(Radha Jayalakshmi - Carnatic Musicians)
passed away on 28.09.2025 after a brief illness
Deeply mourned by
Sumathi Rangarajan (Sister)
Karthik Rangarajan (Nephew)
Saiprasad Rangarajan (Nephew)
Ph: 7550090231

Our Beloved Pillar of Strength

Annapoorani Govindan
Reached her heavenly abode on Tuesday, 30.09.2025
At the age of 89 years
Deeply Mourned by
Marur Venkataraman Govindan, Raghu, Gauri, Mouli, Meenu, Nandu, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren.
Ph: 9611009900/9620901220

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Office order No. 3546 // Dated. 26.09.2025
1st Corrigendum to Bid Identification No. Bridge Tender Online RWCSBP-15/2025-26
Following modifications are hereby made to the notice inviting tender vide this office Bid ID No.Bridge tender Online RWCSBP-15/2025-26 for the work" (1) Construction of Bridge over Local nallah at 2.00 Km on Gantab to Chirgunikhol Road in the District of Sambalpur under SBY for the year 2024-25. (2) Construction of Bridge over Local nallah at 1.05 Km on NH-53 to Rengalbeda in the District of Sambalpur under SBY for the year 2024-25. (3) Construc tion of Bridge over Mandelia River on Rangabati Bilung to Chakuliapara road in the District of Sambalpur under SBY for the year 2024-25. (4) Construction of Bridge over Local Nallah at 0.850 Km on Gujipali to Kasad road in the District of Sambalpur under SBY for the year 2024-25. (5) Construction of Bridge over Dharmadandi Nallah at 2nd Km on Ganthiapali to Sialbahali road in the District of Sambalpur under SBY for the year 2024-25.
1. The availability of tender online for bidding may be read as 13.10.2025 from 11.00 AM to 27.10.2025 up to 5.00 PM instead of from 22.09.2025 from 11.00 AM to 06.10.2025 up to 5.00 PM.
2. The last date & time for seeking clarification may be read as 24.10.2025 up to 5.00 PM instead of 04.10.2025 up to 5.00 PM.
3. The date & time of technical opening bid may be read as 28.10.2025 at 11.00 AM instead of 08.10.2025 at 11.00 AM.
All other terms and condition remain unchanged.
Chief Construction Engineer, R.W. Circle, Sambalpur.
O-925: OIPR-25091/11/0086/2526

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
49, East Wing, 4th & 5th Floor, Khanija Bhavan Race Course Road
Bengaluru – 560 001. Phone No. 080-22265383 website : www.kiadb.in
No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-DPR-03/2039/2025-26 Date: .03.10.2025
SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)
KIADB invites tender from reputed consultants/firms under two cover bid system having an office at Bengaluru with vast experience and proven record of similar nature of work for project mentioned below:-
Name of the work : Providing Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) Economic Analysis, Survey, Plan, Design, Preparation of Estimates, etc., for Providing Basic Infrastructures at Peenya existing Industrial Area, Bengaluru Urban District (2nd Call).
The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **15.10.2025** upto **4.00 pm.**
Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**
Sd/-
DIPR/CP/3078/NR/2025-26 Chief Engineer-1, KIADB, Bengaluru

Karnataka State Safai Karmachari Development Corporation
(A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
Sairabagh, No.19/4, 2nd Floor, Cunningham Road, Bangalore-560052
Tel: 080-29551320,e-mail: ksskdc03@gmail.com
Website:www.ksskdc.kar.nic.in
No.KSSKDC/2025-26/IND0001 Date:03.10.2025
Corrigendum Notification
(Through KPP Portal only)
Tenders are invited through KPP Portal in Two Cover system - (Technical and Financial) for purchase of the 2 Hydraulic based Manhole cleaning Robotic Machine.
Tender Schedule:
1) Last date for submission of tender: **10.10.2025@05.30 pm**
2) Opening of Technical Bid: **13.10.2025 @ 11.00 am**
3) Opening of Financial Bid: **The bids of the bidders selected in the technical bid will be opened.**
The tender amount, EMD and other details are available in the tender document and can be obtained by logging on to the KPP portal **https://kppp. karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/-
DIPR/CP/JA/3071/2025-26 Managing Director

Government of Karnataka
DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND SPORTS
State Youth Centre, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru - 560001.
Tel : 080-22215601, 22211246, Fax: 080 22215602
No: DYES/ES/AP/28/2025-26 Date: 30.09.2025
RETENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement Portal Only)
Subject:- The Deputy Director (Admn), Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, State Youth Centre, Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore-560 001, KARNATAKA INDIA invites Tender to Providing project Management Services for Construction of Cycling Velodrome at Bengaluru Rural (Doddaballapur) and Mysuru, Karnataka.
Particulars : Providing project Management Services for Construction of Cycling Velodrome at Bengaluru Rural (Doddaballapur) and Mysuru, Karanataka. (Call-3) Estimated Amount for each Project : **Rs. 1000.00 Lakhs** EMD : **Rs 1,00,000.00.**
Last Date and Time for Submission of bid: **08.10.2025 time 16.30 Hrs,** Last Date and Time for Opening of technical bid : **09.10.2025 time 16.31 Hrs.**
The Tender shall be submitted through e-Procurement Portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** Vendors need to register in the e-Procurement Portal to submit their bids online. The tender document can be viewed free of cost from the e-Procurement Portal. Additional information may be obtained during office hours at the above mentioned Address.
Sd/-
Deputy Director (Admin)
Dept. of Youth Empowerment and Sports
DIPR/CP/Zen/3077/2025-26 (Tender Inviting Authority)

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Office of the Deputy General Manager-3, 1st Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560052.
No:DGM-3/BSWML/TEND/11/2025-26 Date: 03.10.2025
INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)
Tenders are invited by the undersigned for the works mentioned below from the registered contractors with Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike/CPWD/KPWD /Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations. The Tender documents can be downloaded from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) on payment of prescribed fee noted against each item of work (non-refundable) in the form of e-Payment through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal. The Tenderer should accompany a copy of the valid registration certificate and shall be submitted through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (Standard Tender Bid Document)

Name of the Works	Estimated amount (Rs.in lakhs)	EMD (in Rupees)	Stipulated Period of Service Contract
Bio-Remediation of Scientific Landfill site at Bingipura, Bengaluru	3598.00	Rs. 1.00 lakh through e-payment under the following i.e. online /RTGS/NEFT/OTC and the balance Rs. 34,98,000/- by Bank Gurantee / FDR issued by Nationalised / Scheduled Bank	12 Months
Bio-Remediation of scientific landfill site at Lakshmipura, Bengaluru	1445.00	Rs. 1.00 lakh through e-payment under the following i.e. online /RTGS/NEFT/OTC and the balance Rs. 13,45,000/- by Bank Gurantee / FDR issued by Nationalised / Scheduled Bank	12 Months

CALENDER OF EVENTS: 1) Date of Pre bid meeting: **17.10.2025** at **15:00** hours in office of the Chief Engineer & Chief General Manager (Tech), BSWML, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru – 560052. (2) Last date of submission of Bids in KPP Portal: **05.11.2025** before **16:00** hours. (3) The Technical Bid opening date in KPP Portal: **06.11.2025** after **16:30** hours.
Sd/-
DIPR/CP/3080/CCL/2025-26 Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML, Bengaluru

Two dead, over 100 injured during Banni festival

K. Umashanker
KURNOOL

Two people were killed and more than a hundred were injured at the annual Banni festival at Devaragattu in Holagunda mandal of Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh on Thursday night.

Over 2 lakh devotees

Over 2 lakh people from across Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, and Karnataka gathered to witness the traditional symbolic stick fight rituals, held annually on Vijayadashami.

The incident occurred when a symbolic ritual escalated to violence.

At least 5 critical

The police said at least five persons among the injured were in a critical condition and were admitted to the Government General Hospital at Adoni.

The traditional wedding rituals of Mallamma and Malleshwara Swamy, the presiding deities of the hill shrine, began late in the evening, followed by the procession of the idols.

Rival groups

As the procession moved through the village, two rival groups 'armed with thick bamboo sticks and pestles' clashed violently while attempting to seize the idols.Kurnool District Collector A. Siri and Superintendent of Police Vikrant Patil rushed to the spot and took stock of the situation. Medical teams were also pressed into action to treat the injured.

Sabarimala gold row: Cong., BJP raise doubts over Vigilance probe

Cong. seeks HC-monitored probe by higher agency; BJP dares govt. to hand over case to CBI; they also allege the coverings returned, after repairs in Chennai in 2019, were pure copper, and not the gold-plated alloy donated by Vijay Mallya in 1998

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The Congress and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Friday expressed mistrust in the ongoing Vigilance investigation by the Travancore Devaswom Board into the alleged misappropriation of gold-plated copper foils covering the intricate stone carvings, including sculptures, at the Sabarimala Ayyappa temple.

All India Congress Committee general secretary (Organisation) K.C. Venugopal sought a Kerala High Court-monitored probe by a higher agency with sweeping investigative powers, while BJP leader V. Muraleedharan dared the government to hand over the probe to the CBI.

The TDB's Vigilance wing is probing the alleged misappropriation of gold-plated copper foil at the Sabarimala temple. LEJU KAMAL

The Congress and the BJP appeared determined to up the ante against the State government, especially in the light of "emerging evidence" that the TDB had entrusted the gilded claddings to "private brokers" for refurbishment, thereby violating the temple manual.

They also accused the TDB of "allowing private brokers to monetise the Ayyappa faith" by offering special privileges to the rich and the powerful at the temple during *darshan* and permitting them to surreptitiously spirit out valuable temple artefacts for private worship.

The "missing" gold coverings had snowballed into a major controversy last week after the TDB Vigilance recovered a few "stolen" plaques from the residence of Unnikrishnan Potti, a former temple employee, who had reported the artefacts missing from the strongroom in the run-up to the Global Ayyappa Sangamam.

Mr. Venugopal and Mr. Muraleedharan also alleged that the coverings returned to the temple by the same set of intermediaries in 2019, reportedly after a thorough overhaul in Chennai, were pure copper, and not the original gold-plated alloy donated to Sabarimala by liquor baron Vijay Mallya in 1998.

The CPI(M) State secretariat also, on Friday, demanded a High Court-monitored probe into the controversy. When journalists pointed out that CPI (M) leader A. Padmakumar was the president of the TDB when gold-clad plates of the Dwarapalaka idols were taken out of the temple for repair in 2019, CPI (M) State secretary M.V. Govindan said the party was under no obligation to protect any wrongdoer.

Devaswom Board Minister V.N. Vasavan said the impending investigation would cover how "likes of Mr. Potti" were given free rein in the temple and involved themselves in its affairs with impunity and emerged as the Devasom's extrajudicial authority in the public domain.

Karur stampede: Madras High Court constitutes SIT

Mohamed Imranullah S.
CHENNAI

The Madras High Court, on Friday (October 3, 2025), ordered the constitution of a Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by Inspector General of Police Asra Garg to probe into the stampede that led to the loss of 41 lives during a political campaign by Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) president and actor C. Joseph Vijay in Karur on September 27. Justice Senthilkumar also recorded that the court "highly condemns" the act of the TVK leaders in having "abandoned" the innocent people who had thronged the venue at Velusamypuram in Karur district just to take a glimpse of Mr. Vijay but ended up losing their lives. He said, the party ought to have come to their rescue.

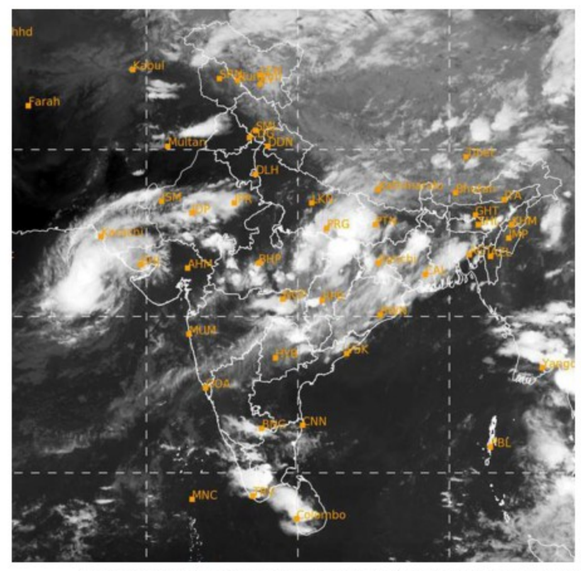
The judge directed Karur Town Inspector of Police to handover to the SIT all papers related to a First Information Report (FIR) registered against TVK general secretary Bussy Anand alias N. Anand and deputy general secretary C.T.R. Nirmal Kumar on the charge of culpable homicide not amounting to murder. The orders were passed after expressing dissatisfaction over the probe conducted by the local police and after observing that the State appeared to be going soft on the TVK leaders and "showing leniency" despite the latter having "fled from the scene of occurrence" after the death of scores of children and women.

The judge said, the man-made disaster was so huge that even President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin and many others expressed deep condolences and extended every possible help to the families of the deceased and also to the injured.

Nevertheless, the Karur police had *suo motu* registered just one FIR regarding the death of 41 people and arrested only two lower-level office bearers of TVK so far. He also took note of the complaint made by senior counsel G. Sankaran, representing a litigant, that Mr. Vijay had not been named even in that FIR.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.15 HRS)

Forecast for Saturday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karaikal

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	14	33.0	24.0	Kozhikode	3	34.1	25.5
Ahmedabad	0.2	34.0	24.6	Kurnool	—	32.7	24.1
Aizawl	10	31.1	21.1	Lucknow	—	32.1	25.1
Allahabad	—	27.8	24.7	Madurai	0.9	39.0	25.2
Bengaluru	3.2	30.2	20.2	Mangaluru	1.8	30.8	24.2
Bhopal	—	31.0	23.6	Mumbai	5	31.3	24.2
Bhubaneswar	17	33.4	25.4	Mysuru	—	29.0	19.6
Chandigarh	—	34.0	23.4	New Delhi	14	33.5	23.7
Chennai	27	32.6	23.5	Patna	9	28.8	24.4
Coimbatore	—	34.6	23.4	Port Blair	—	31.0	25.1
Dehradun	26	32.9	21.5	Puducherry	—	31.2	26.0
Gangtok	2	20.6	17.3	Pune	—	32.4	22.9
Goa	0.2	31.2	24.6	Raipur	58	28.7	23.2
Guwahati	5	32.5	24.6	Ranchi	21	25.2	22.5
Hubballi	—	28.0	21.0	Shillong	26	24.8	16.1
Hyderabad	—	31.1	22.1	Shimla	—	22.6	14.2
Imphal	12	29.4	24.0	Srinagar	1	23.7	13.0
Jaipur	0.5	31.9	24.6	Thiruvananthapuram	—	33.8	24.9
Kochi	1	31.4	25.2	Tiruchi	—	36.7	26.0
Kohima	27	24.0	17.2	Vijayawada	—	35.5	25.8
Kolkata	21	29.6	25.4	Visakhapatnam	17	32.8	25.9

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.24	..23	.56	30	70	
Bengaluru	...6	..37	.32	.....—	82	
Chennai	...2	3	.28	48	...126	
Delhi	.21	..47	.40	...104	...114	
Hyderabad	.16	..13	.33	56	73	
Kolkata	...9	..18	.33	47	47	
Lucknow	.13	..46	.64	...125	...132	
Mumbai	.21	..35	.26	35	65	
Pune	..—	..14	179	.....—	17	
Visakhapatnam	...9	..50	.40	88	97	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Kishanganj, Bihar recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 184 indicating a moderate level of pollution. In contrast, Shillong, Meghalaya recorded a healthy AQI score of 5

Air Quality Code: Poor, Moderate, Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

TOWN PANCHAYATH, KORATAGERE TUMKUR DIST.
For Tender Details KPPP Portal Website (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)
No: TPK/Eng/CR/05/2025-26 Date: 29/09/2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

As per KTTP Act 1999-2000 Rule 2000, Chief Officer, Town Panchayath, Koratagere was invited Tender for Works under AMRUT 2.0 Grants from eligible tenderer can participate Tender for the following works in KPPP Portal website **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)**
Note: For more Information contact office during working hours.

Sl. no	WORK INDENT	Tender cost (Rs. Lakhs)	Last Date of Tender
1	DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT49847	52.54	As per kpp portal

Sd/- President TP, Koratagere | **Sd/- Vice President** TP, Koratagere | **Sd/- Standing Committee President** TP, Koratagere | **Sd/- Chief Officer** TP, Koratagere

DIPR/TUM/RO-132/25-26/Oysters

KALYANA KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Civil Division, MSK Mill Road, Jewargi Cross, Kalaburagi.
No: KKT/EEG/KLB/DB/574 /2025-26 Date: 29/09/2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 11/2025-26

Through GOK e-procurement platform WWW.kppp.karnataka.gov.in
Eligible Class-I Civil Contractors/Firms registered in Karnataka at KPWD/CPWD /MES are hereby invited for the below works in Two cover system through E-procurement portal mode.
1) Name of work: **Construction of Drivers Training Institute at Ittangihal Tq: Tikota Dist Vijayapur.** 2) Amount put to Tender (Rs. in lakhs): **500.00**, 3) Last date for receipt of tenders : **24-10-2025.**
The tender schedule will be available after 08-10-2025 on the website mentioned as below. www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in, Telephone No. 08472-220663
DIPR/Kalaburagi/581/KSMC&A/2025-26 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited through **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the following works:

KALINADI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

(1) KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3420/CALL-2, Dt: 22.09.2025. Inner Top Cover Weld-repair work of Unit-1 at Kadra Power House. EMD: **Rs. 27,330/-.** Period of completion: **25 days from date of handing over of site. (2)** KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3453, Dt: 23.09.2025. Supply, erection and commissioning of 11KV HT Line from HESCOM MUSS to new switchyard at KPC Colony, Kadra. Amount put to tender: **Rs. 16,23,961/-.** EMD: **Rs. 40,599/-.** Period of completion: **Three months from date of handing over of site. (3)** KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3187/CALL-2, Dt: 25.09.2025. Repair/Re Insulation of Faulty Rotor Field Pole Coil of 150MW Generators of Nagjhari Power Hosue including transportation. EMD: **Rs. 1,04,161/-.** Period of completion: **25 days from date of handing over of site.** Last date & time for submission of tenders: for Sl.No. (1): **06.10.2025, 17.00 Hrs,** for Sl.No. (2): **08.10.2025, 17.30 Hrs.** & for Sl.No. (3): **08.10.2025 up to 14.00 Hrs.** Further information can be had from : **for Sl.No. (1) & (2): Executive Engineer(O&M)Kadra,** KPCL,Kadra-581 396, Uttara Kannada Dist., M: 9141611197, E-mail: eek1kadrakpcl@gmail.com/seekadrakpcl@yahoo.in and **for Sl.No. (3): Executive Engineer(Generator)Nagjhari,** KPCL, Ambikanagar-581363, Haliyal Tq., Karwar Dist, M: 9141610426, E-mail: eegennph1@gmail.com & eegenkalikpcl@karnataka.gov.in

SHIMSHA HYDRO POWER STATION

(1) No.: KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3512 dtd: 26.09.2025. Refurbishment and Automization of High Velocity Water Spray System for Generator Transformers at Shimsha HES. EMD: **Rs. 11,031/-.** Work Completion Period: **60 days. (2) No.: KPCL/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT3396/CALL-2, dtd: 25.09.2025.** Providing Chain link fencing to colony transformer centers by supplying and spreading Jelly at Shimsha HES. EMD: **Rs. 5,793/-.** Work Completion Period: **30 days.** Last date for submisson: for Sl.No. (1): **24.10.2025 at 16.00 Hrs** & for Sl.No. (2): **10.10.2025 at 16.00 hrs.** Further details can be had from Executive Engineer (O&M) SHIMSHA, KPCL, Shimshapura-571430, Malavalli Tq., Mandya Dist., Mob: 09902835577.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public at large that our client proposes to purchase property described in the Schedule below from **Mrs. Geetha Harish,** D/o. Mr. Sadashiva Nayak, aged about 54 years, residing at No.54, Poornapragna Layout, Kattriguppe, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru. Any person having any claim, right, title, interest or objection in respect of the said property is hereby called upon to notify us in writing, within **15 (fifteen)** days from the date of this publication, failing which it shall be presumed that no such claim exists and our client shall proceed with the proposed transaction without any further reference.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing Corporation No.134, PID No.99-164-134, situated at **1st Block, Rajamahal Vilas 2nd Stage (Southern Side) Extension, Bangalore,** in Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No.35 of Aramane Nagar Sub-Division, [Old Ward No.99], presently within the Mahanagara Palike (formerly BDA Site No.134, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority), together with the building thereon of RCC roofing comprising of the built up area in the Basement of 210 Square Feet, Ground floor of 2045 Square Feet and First Floor of 1,545 Square Feet, terrace head room of 100 Square Feet, with a total built up of 3,900 Square Feet, with the site measuring East to West: 28 meters, North to South: 15 meters, totally measuring 420 square meters and bounded on:
East by : Site No.151;
West by : Road;
North by : Site No.133;
South by : Site No.135.
For any queries or clarifications, you may reach out to the undersigned.

Date: 04-10-2025, Place: Bengaluru
Ms. Vidhi Lakhani
M/s. ALLIED LAW PRACTICES
1/1, 3rd Floor, Millers Arcade
Millers Road, Vasanth Nagar
Bangalore, Karnataka 560 052

Mahatma Gandhi Sabarmati Ashram Memorial Trust
Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav
Toran, Opp. Gandhi Ashram, Ahmedabad - 380 027
E Tender Notice No - 02 / 2025-26

Name of Works	Request for proposal for "Selection of a Design-Build-Operate-Transfer Agency (DBOT) for Curation, Content Development, Exhibit Fabrication and Outdoor Sculpture Works for Mahatma Gandhi Sabarmati Ashram Memorial at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
Date of Download From	Date: 06-10-2025
Last Date of Online Submission	Date: 06-11-2025 up to 4:00 PM
Tenders available on	**www.nprocure.com**

For further detail please sent email on **toranmgsamt@gmail.com**

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ದೂರವಾಣಿ :08533–230102 / 230103
e-mail: sdh.gangavathi@gmail.com
SINO:GHGVT/TENDER/31/2025-26 Date:03/10/2025

Recall of e-Procurment Tender

Subject:- E-Procurment tender to Supply food items for diet for financial year 2025-26
Refference: File approval by respected Deputy Commisioner koppal On **date:-26.09.2025**
Sub Division Hospital Gangavathi Dist Koppal here by calling of Recall of e-Procurment tender For Supply of food items for diet Estimated Amount **Rs:- 52,56,425.00** for financial year 2025-26. Information is as follows.
(1) Commencement of e-Tender from website : **04.10.2025** **(2)** Last Date for Queries on or before : **09.10.2025 @ 4.00 pm** **(3)** Last Date for Uploading of Tender in e-procurement platform on or before : **21.10.2025 @ 12.30 pm (4)** Sample Submission Date : **21.10.2025** office timing before 4.30 pm **(5)** Opening of Techno-Commercial Bid : **23.10.2025 @ 01.30 pm (6) https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in DHFWS/2025-26/IND1738/CALL-2**
For more Information contact the following officers in office working hours.
Sd/-Chief Medical Officer
Sub Division Hospital
Gangavathi Dist Koppal
DIPR/Koppal/378/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

Tumkur Urban Development Authority
Belagumba Road, Tumkur – 572 103, Karnataka State.
Ph : 0816-2272280, Fax : 0816-2255761.
email : tudatmk2009@yahoo.co.in; website : tuda.co.in.
No.TUDA/Tech-AEE/Tender-01/2025-26 Date : 29.09.2025

Tender Notification

Tenders are invited from eligible civil contractors for the works as per Karnataka Public Transparency Ordinance 1999-2000 and as per KW-3, KW-4, Standard Bid Document and latest amended provision through e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka Web Address (https//kppp.karnataka.gov.in) Downloading Tender Documents from e-Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka. Submission of tenders online through e-procurement portal within the prescribed date and time.
KW-3-Date of issueing of blank tender forms Date. 30-09-2025 to D. 14-10-2025 Time 17-00 Hours. Last date for submission of filled tender forms Date. 14-10-2025 Time 17-00 Hours. Time and date of technical bid opening Date 16-10-2025 After 11-00 Am. Date of opening of financial bids After technical bid approval.
KW-4-Date of issueing of blank tender forms Date. 30-09-2025 to D. 29-10-2025 Time 17-00 Hours. Last date for submission of filled tender forms Date. 29-10-2025 Time 17-00 Hours. Time and date of technical bid opening Date 31-10-2025 After 11-00 Am. Date of opening of financial bids After technical bid approval.For further details technical branch can be contacted during office hours.
Sd/-Commissioner,
Urban Development Authority
Tumakuru.
DIPR/TUM/313/KSMCA/2025-26

INDIRA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
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Sheikhpura, Patna - 800 014 (Bihar, India)
Tel. :0612-2297631/2297099, Website: www.igims.org; E-Mail-director@igims.org

E-Tender Notice

E-tendering mode only on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in
E-Tender Notice No.: 30/2025-2026/Drugs & Consumables/IGIMS/Store
IGIMS, Patna invites e-tender under two bid system (Technical & Financial bid) from eligible and qualified manufacturers or their authorized distributors / agents for Supply of **drugs & other consumables for Central Pharmacy of the Institute.**
The last date & time for submission/ uploading of complete tender document at www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in is 24/11/2025 up to 17:00 hours.
Details of specification of equipment's, terms and conditions can be seen and downloaded from Institute Website: **www.igims.org & www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in**
The undersigned reserves the right to accept / reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. Prospective bidders are advised to regularly visit www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in and www.igims.org for Corrigendum / amendments etc., if any. It will be notified on these portals only and no separate advertisement will be made.
Director, IGIMS, Patna

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ಕಾರ್ಕಳ–574104, ಉಡುಪಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.
TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, KARKA, UDUPI DIST.
ಕಾಪುಸ: ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ವಿಭಾಗ: ಸಿಆರ್: 97:2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26.09.2025

ಕಾರ್ಕಳ ಪುರಸಭೆ
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ಕಾರ್ಕಳ ಪುರಸಭೆಯ ಅಮೃತ್ 2.0 ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಸ್ತಾವೇಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ (Standard Tender Document) ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು KPPP ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ (Website: kppp.karnataka.gov.in) ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

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ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 21.10.2025 ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ
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ಹಣಕಾಸಿನ ಬಿಡ್ಡನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 25.10.2025 ಪೂರ್ವಾಹ್ನ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆ

ಸಹಿ/–, ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಪುರಸಭೆ, ಕಾರ್ಕಳ, ಉಡುಪಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ
ಸಹಿ/–, ಮುಖ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಪುರಸಭೆ, ಕಾರ್ಕಳ, ಉಡುಪಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ

Office of the District Surgeon, District Hospital
Ramanagara, Bengaluru South District -562159
Phone: **080-29913667,** email: **dsramanagaram@gmail.com**
No.:DHR/PAPER NOTIFICATION/01/2025-26 Date: 14.08.2025

E-Procurement Tender Notification

District Hospital Ramanagara is inviting E-Tender As per KTPP Through www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in from qualified organizations for the Supply of Drug and other material required for the year 2025-26. The details of tender process are given below and for further any details can be contact us during office hours. **(DHFWS/2025-26/IND1793/CALL-2**
1) Downloading of Tender Documents from online Date : **30.09.2025. 2)** Pre Bid meeting : Date: **04.10.2025** Time: **3.00 p.m. 3)** Last date for uploading/applying tender on online Date: **09.10.2025** Time: **4.30 pm 4)** Sample Submission Date: **09.10.2025** 5) Opening of Technical Bid Date: **10.10.2025** Time: **5.00 pm 6)** Opening of Financial Bid Date: **15.10.2025** Time: **3.30 pm 7)** Approximate Tender value**: Rs. 200.00 Lakhs. 9) EMD 1.5% :** Rs.3,00,000.00.
Sd/- District Surgeon
District Hospital. Ramanagara
DIPR/BSD/372/SA/2025-26

Domestic vitality

Domestic firms show more faith in India than foreign investors

The latest data on investment announcements in the country paint a mixed picture, with varying policy implications. New project announcements by the private sector overall rose to nearly a 15-month high in the first half of this financial year to ₹9.9 lakh crore. Such investments have historically been driven by Indian firms, but that concentration has intensified in the last few years. While Indian firms accounted for 77% of all private sector announcements in 2018-19, that share was 94% in the first half of the current financial year. Taken together, these data points underscore a diametrically opposite outlook on the Indian economy held by domestic and foreign firms. Domestic firms seem increasingly optimistic. It remains to be seen how many of these announcements fructify, but the data show that the value of projects actually completed by Indian firms was also at a near 15-month high so far this fiscal. This should come as a relief to the government, which has been pushing the private sector to invest more. The data also show that most of these new investments are to be in the manufacturing sector – another strong positive for the economy. A large part of these new investments was announced before the GST rate cuts were first made public on August 15, implying the private sector's confidence goes deeper than an expectation of a temporary demand boost. If the investments do come through, that will leave the government with more fiscal room to address developmental and defence issues, both of which need its attention.

Foreign firms, on the other hand, do not seem quite as convinced by the India story. The value of project announcements by foreign companies fell to ₹0.6 lakh crore in the first half of FY26, marking the third consecutive year of decline during this period, and also a five-year low. Several global factors have certainly dampened investor sentiment ever since the COVID-19 pandemic, but the fact remains that global investment outflows nevertheless increased 11% in 2024 and 3% in 2023. While the latest tariff friction with the U.S. would have shaken some confidence in India as an investment destination this year, the government needs to figure out why foreign companies were looking elsewhere even before. The data also reveal that fresh announcements by the government stood at ₹1.5 lakh crore during the period under review, down 71% over the same period last year. This is in line with the Centre's warnings that it will not be growing its capex as fast as before. However, with the government and foreign companies pulling back, the pressure on Indian firms increases. Simultaneously, the urgency to keep this momentum going through ease of doing business reforms also sharpens.

Peace mirage

The Trump plan serves Israeli goals and does little for Palestinians

President Donald Trump's 20-point "peace plan" for Gaza has won rare approval from Israel and key Arab countries. While Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says it aligns with Israel's war objectives, Arab and Muslim leaders have welcomed the initiative as a step towards peace. But one truly important voice is missing – that of any representative of the Palestinian people. When the latest phase of the Gaza war began, following Hamas's October 7, 2023 attack, Israel vowed to "destroy" the Islamist militant group. Two years on, Israel has turned Gaza into dust and displaced the entire population. Yet, Hamas has not been totally defeated. Any lasting peace hinges on an agreement between Israel and true representatives of Palestinians, even if Hamas is to be kept out. Mr. Trump and Mr. Netanyahu have issued an ultimatum to Hamas: accept the plan or face continued Israeli attacks. The Trump plan promises an immediate ceasefire in return for the release of all hostages. It further states that Palestinians will not be forced to leave. For a population living in makeshift shelters, a ceasefire and the permission to stay on will be a relief. But beyond this veneer of concession, the rest of the plan is structured almost entirely to serve Israeli interests.

It proposes to place Gaza under an international governance body overseen by a 'Board of Peace', chaired by Mr. Trump. The plan further calls for the deployment of an International Stabilisation Force (ISF) in Gaza, while allowing the Israeli troops to retain "a security perimeter". Hamas will have to demobilise itself. In essence, Gaza would be placed under a new colonial-type administration and a foreign military force, while Israel would continue to occupy parts of the enclave. Palestinians will be excluded from the top decision making bodies until "reforms of the Palestinian Authority are complete". This is a plan written in sand. Even if Hamas were to accept the proposal and disband itself, or if Palestinians were to reject Hamas completely, there is no assurance that the Palestinian resistance will wither away. Without a credible pathway to Palestinian statehood, violence will continue in one form or another – the message of October 7. The plan offers no timeline for its lofty goals; it does not specify which countries would contribute troops to the ISF; nor does it clarify who would oversee the implementation process or the "reforms" within the Palestinian Authority. Rather than forcing his ally to end its daily attacks on Palestinians and withdraw through a ceasefire for hostages agreement, Mr. Trump is making an already intractable conflict more complicated. This proposal will not win him peace. Rather, it will drag him deeper into the quicksand of West Asia.

The maritime signalling after Operation Sindoor

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While the standoff with Pakistan in May 2025 culminated in engagement in the air domain, subsequent developments have shifted attention to the maritime theatre, as seen in key naval movements, capability demonstrations and official statements from both India and Pakistan, with their navies recalibrating posture and signalling readiness for potential escalation.

On October 2, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, citing the 1965 war, warned Pakistan of a "resounding response" that could alter its "history and geography" should any misadventure occur in the Sir Creek area – Pakistan is expanding military infrastructure in the region, a development that has been ongoing since 2023. Historically, Pakistan has had a perceived military edge in the area. This follows the statement in August by the Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral Dinesh Tripathi, that the service would be the first to take action against Pakistan in any future conflict. Operation Sindoor itself was described as designed for a naval forward deterrent posture, highlighting a readiness for a 'more active role' than during the standoff in May. Induction of the first indigenously designed diving support vessel, INS *Nistar*, and India's first joint patrols with the Philippines in the South China Sea reflect both capacity-building and alignment with a wider Indo-Pacific strategy, where a Chinese presence at Karachi and Gwadar remains a key factor.

Pakistan has also reinforced its maritime signalling. In May, it dispersed assets from Karachi to Gwadar to mitigate vulnerability. Since then, it has launched the Chinese-built Hangor-class submarine, PNS *Mangro*, and showcased the domestically developed P282 ship-launched ballistic missile. In the months after, there have also been overlapping NOTAMs, missile tests and live-fire drills – at times just 60 nautical miles apart – sustaining a cycle of alerts and operational friction in the Arabian Sea.

Strategic weight of naval signalling

The surge of naval activity following Operation Sindoor raises a fundamental question of whether these parallel exercises are mere routine activities or a calculated show of force implying a shift in the India-Pakistan deterrence equation in the naval domain. The answer matters because the current crisis, while resolved in the air domain, has left behind a residue of strategic uncertainty at sea. India and Pakistan appear to be recalibrating their naval postures, preparing not just for deterrence but also for the possibility that the next phase of confrontation could unfold in the maritime theatre.

This shift must also be understood against the broader balance of capabilities. Much like the air domain, the maritime balance can no longer be assumed to mirror the asymmetries of Kargil in 1999, or India's decisive superiority of 1971. India retains numerical and geographical advantages, but its naval fleet is aging, raising modernisation concerns. Pakistan is steadily expanding capabilities, inducting Chinese-designed submarines and Babur-class corvettes from Türkiye. With advanced radar, electronic warfare suites, and versatile anti-air and anti-surface weaponry, these assets are significant.

In the tensions between India and Pakistan after May 2025, the frontiers are shifting from airspace to sea

Acknowledging this shift, India's Navy Chief had also pointed to the "surprising growth" of Pakistan's naval fleet. While India's edge may still endure, the gap is narrowing, complicating assumptions of uncontested dominance in the Indian Ocean. Taken together, these developments are important for three reasons: escalation control, external involvement and shifting doctrines on both sides.

First, escalation control is far harder at sea. Unlike aerial skirmishes that may be calibrated and walked back, any naval engagement (ship-on-ship or ship-on-land) would carry a higher risk of crossing the war threshold. Memories of 1971, when Indian naval operations decisively tilted the conflict, add extra sensitivity – even limited maritime action is associated with existential risk in Pakistan's strategic imagination. Since then, Pakistan's core maritime concern has been to avert a recurrence of its vulnerability to Indian naval operations, seen in its pursuit of anti-access/area-denial (A2/AD) capabilities and gradual articulation of a doctrine oriented toward deterrence-by-denial.

The development of Gwadar under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor framework must also be understood within this deterrence logic. Pakistan's decision-makers have for long said that Gwadar's origins lay in Islamabad's own strategic calculations than in Beijing's. Thus, Gwadar and Karachi seem more than operational or economic hubs – they are also psychological pressure points. Against this backdrop, should the Indian Navy be drawn into direct operations in future, space for coercion short of war would shrink drastically, with India also having to consider the presence and stakes of the People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN).

External dimension

Second, parallel exercises and missile tests by both sides may reflect more than isolated drills, pointing to deliberate efforts to demonstrate readiness and complicate the adversary's planning cycle. For India, the pattern may suggest an effort to maintain pressure and shape the post-crisis narrative, reflecting unease with how the post-Sindoor outcome has been perceived. Pakistan has sought to underscore the point that its Navy is no longer the vulnerable force of 1971 and is signalling preparedness to deter coercion and complicate Indian operational planning in the maritime domain. India appears intent on retaining the initiative through visible demonstrations of capability and risk acceptance. This parallelism suggests that both sides may signal preparedness and also be actively invested in shaping a future "conflict-template" at sea.

Third, the external dimension is sharpening. Chinese involvement in the Karachi and Gwadar ports erodes India's assumed dominance by raising the spectre of PLAN support to Pakistan in crisis. Türkiye's emerging role, even if limited to supply or training, adds another layer of uncertainty.

These shifts matter because they change how coercion and deterrence work. It has been reported that Indian deployments had forced Pakistan to disperse its fleet from Karachi, demonstrating dominance and imposing psychological costs without triggering escalation, but that playbook may no longer work. At the same time, projections of recent procurements and high-profile inductions may have fuelled expectations of a more prominent naval role in the future, creating a dilemma – the coercive option may be narrowing, but the pressure to use it is increasing.

Finally, there may also be the problem of strategic drift. Both militaries appear to be operating on precedents from past crises, even as new capabilities from hypersonic missiles to drones are altering the escalatory ladder. If crisis decision-making remains anchored in outdated assumptions, the risk of miscalculation grows. In effect, the maritime theatre is becoming the space where this cognitive gap will be tested.

The broad view

The naval element of the next India-Pakistan crisis is unlikely to remain peripheral. Both sides may not just be testing platforms but also signalling thresholds at sea, where risks of miscalculation are qualitatively different from the air domain. Unlike air skirmishes, naval deployments linger, continuously, shaping perceptions of intent and resolve.

Yet, paradoxically, this very pattern may also carry stabilising effects. By testing and observing each other's tactics, manoeuvres, and novel applications of capability, both navies are building mutual awareness that may, over time, reduce the fog of war. In this sense, the Indian Navy may be acquiring insights into its Pakistani counterpart in a way the Air Force arguably could not prior to Operation Sindoor.

For India, the challenge will be to decide whether to treat the maritime theatre as an arena for early signalling or hold it back as a reserve domain of escalation. The commissioning of stealth frigates, emphasis on joint patrols in the wider Indo-Pacific, and drive for indigenous capacity suggest that New Delhi is preparing for both possibilities: an expanded regional role and a crisis-specific coercive lever. The question then remains whether the Navy will be drawn into frontline operations earlier than in the past.

This clean energy rise needs climate finance expansion

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India's clean energy transition is gaining momentum. In 2024, India added 24.5 gigawatts (GW) of solar energy capacity, making it the third largest contributor globally after China and the United States, making it a key player in the global shift towards renewables.

The United Nations Secretary-General's 2025 Climate Report recognises India, alongside Brazil and China, as a leading developing country in scaling solar and wind energy. In 2023, the renewable energy sector employed over a million people, contributing to 5% of GDP growth. Of this, off-grid solar alone employed over 80,000 people in 2021. India's leadership in establishing the International Solar Alliance (ISA) is laudable.

The critical gap

But this impressive momentum needs a consistent push. Beneath the headlines lies a critical gap – the financial scaffolding that is needed to sustain and scale this transition. Without a dramatic expansion of climate finance, India will struggle to meet its climate targets.

The economic case for clean energy has solid basis. According to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), if India follows a 1.5°C-aligned pathway, it could achieve average annual GDP growth of 2.8% through 2050, more than double the G-20 average. Battery-integrated renewables, decentralised grids and green hydrogen technologies are all creating new opportunities for inclusive, future-ready growth. Yet, this momentum hinges on the missing piece of climate finance.

The size of India's climate finance gap is wide. Recent estimates indicate a requirement of $1.5 trillion by 2030 to stay on a 1.5°C pathway, while the Ministry of Finance places the figure at over $2.5 trillion by 2030 to meet national targets. This includes capital for expanding renewables, strengthening the electricity grid, deploying battery storage, scaling up green hydrogen, and transitioning to sustainable transport and agriculture. The current flow of climate finance falls well short of this target.

Without this, India will struggle to meet its climate targets

By December 2024, India's cumulative aligned green, social, sustainability and sustainability-linked (GSS+) debt issuance had reached $55.9 billion, representing a 186% increase since 2021, with green bonds accounting for 83% of total aligned issuance. The trajectory remains strong, with green bond investment in India crossing $45 billion in 2025, and sustainable finance targets aiming for $100 billion by 2030, indicating robust private sector engagement.

However, the challenge of expanding beyond large corporates remains valid. While the private sector was responsible for 84% of the total green bond issuance, access for micro, small, and medium enterprises, agri-tech innovators, and local infrastructure developers continues to need enhancement through concessional finance and risk-sharing mechanisms. India's successful solar energy auctions under the Solar Park Scheme have been cited as one initiative in support of attracting private financing. Similarly, India's issuance of sovereign green bonds and the success of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)-regulated social bonds have channelled private capital into climate action, education and health care.

Changes to strategy

To unlock this gap in finance, India must diversify and deepen its climate finance strategy, starting with public finance. National and State governments can use Budget allocations and fiscal tools to attract private capital and de-risk green investments.

Blended finance can bridge this divide. While concessional finance and risk-sharing mechanisms are often referenced, there is a need to examine how they work across sectors, scales and investor profiles. Credit enhancement instruments such as partial guarantees or subordinated debt can improve the risk-return profile of green projects, making them more attractive to private lenders. Similarly, performance or loan guarantees can unlock finance for mid-sized clean energy infrastructure in Tier II and III cities, where governance and delivery risks may deter investors.

Scaling such models will require unlocking domestic institutional capital, from pension funds, insurers and sovereign wealth funds. India, too, can unlock similar potential by enabling its institutional investors such as the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation or the Life Insurance Corporation, to allocate a portion of their portfolios to climate-aligned investments. This would require regulatory reforms such as clearer environmental, social, and governance investment guidelines, risk mitigation instruments and long-term green project pipelines.

Tap carbon markets

Policy and institutional support are critical. Carbon markets offer another avenue. India's new Carbon Credit Trading Scheme could unlock new finance streams if it is transparent, well regulated and equitable. Equally urgent is financing for adaptation and loss and damage.

India must lead not just on clean energy but also on climate finance innovation, with visible, scalable breakthroughs. This can be through blockchain for tracking climate finance, Artificial Intelligence-driven risk assessment for green portfolios, or tailored blended finance models that reflect India's unique social, environmental and economic realities.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Contradictory

A tribute to the RSS on October 2 alongside Gandhi Jayanti raises troubling questions of historical irony. Mahatma Gandhi embodied non-violence, interfaith harmony and social justice, while the RSS distanced itself from the freedom struggle, the Salt Satyagraha and Quit India movement. The ideological hostility to Gandhi's principles cannot be ignored. National tributes should be consistent with truth, not political convenience.

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Chennai

Transparency needed

The politics around the Karur stampede is like a stye in the eye. A commission of inquiry has been instituted to get to the bottom of the facts. There has also been criticism of an incommodious venue for what was a very big rally. Whether the authorities concerned will be proceeded against remains to be seen. There must be an attempt to be honest.

Mani Nataraajan,
Chennai

Jumping ahead

I have been talking to a few children in my neighbourhood and was aghast to know that most of the schools in my town have begun teaching Class 10 subjects to Class nine students. This has been happening since August this year. It is a matter of concern as Class nine has important lessons such as 'Democracy', 'The French Revolution', 'The Non-Cooperation movement' and a lot of fundamental mathematics that is designed for this age group. It is unfortunate that a generation of students will miss these subjects/ topics when schools pressure them to focus only on the board examination.

Such a trend also affects the holistic learning experience, placing undue emphasis on rote preparation rather than conceptual understanding. This will have an impact on the analytical abilities of students.

The Education Department officials, school administrators and parents must reconsider this practice.

Bhavya Kakarla,
Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh

Letters emailed to letters@thehindu.co.in must carry the postal address.

A stampede broke out during an election campaign rally for Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam, led by the actor-turned-politician Vijay, in Karur. The incident claimed 41 lives. MOORTHY M.

In Karur, where there was no way out

On September 27, thousands of people gathered in Karur, Tamil Nadu, to attend a rally by actor-turned-politician Vijay. As the chief of the Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam party arrived hours late, the crowd swelled and surged towards his vehicle, triggering a stampede that killed 41 people and injured over 100.
C. Jaisankar and **Nacchinarkkiniyan M.** report on the tragedy, caused by many factors, including poor planning and alleged security lapses

Lalli, a 32-year-old homemaker, is consumed by guilt. She is unable to shake off the feeling that she failed to save her nephew, Thuruvishnu, from being crushed to death at a political rally last week.

On the evening of September 27, a Saturday, Lalli carried the infant in her arms and walked to the venue of the rally in Karur, a textile hub in Tamil Nadu. Her husband and their two children went as well. They were excited to hear the popular actor, Vijay, address the crowd as president of his fledgling political party, Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK). The rally was part of the actor-turned-politician's State-wide tour. Tamil Nadu is scheduled to have Assembly elections in 2026.

At the venue, the crowd kept swelling despite the heat. Vijay arrived several hours late, and there was allegedly little security in place. Many people fainted, while others tried to get closer to Vijay's vehicle. Chaos erupted and the resulting crowd crush left 41 people dead, including 10 babies, and injured more than 100 people. Most of the adult victims were aged 18-30.

"I thought I could save him. This guilt will stay with me until I die," says Lalli, who is sitting with family members in Thuruvishnu's house. The cries of the family echo through the house in Vadivel Nagar in Velusamypuram, located barely 50 metres from where Vijay addressed the crowd.

Lalli's brother Vimal, a 25-year-old daily-wage worker, and his wife Matheswari, 22, had Thuruvishnu two years after getting married. On the morning after the stampede, the couple performed the last rites of their 22-month-old son. He was the youngest to die in the stampede.

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> **V. BALAJI**
> Textile worker

A deadly cocktail

For the people of Velusamypuram, where houses and textile shops can be found on both sides of the roads, the rally has left deep scars. Many residents insist that the disaster was neither accidental nor unforeseeable, and that it was the outcome of poor planning and official neglect.

Crowds had begun to gather at the spot of the rally, scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. on September 27, from the previous night. Young men roamed the stretch putting up posters, stringing banners, and blaring TVK songs on loudspeakers.

"By around 10 a.m. on Saturday, many people had already arrived. By 3 p.m., traffic could not move through this road. And by evening, there was simply no space for anyone to even turn," says G. Sitharam, a resident.

Many believe that the timing of the rally was poor. "Saturday evening is when textile workers collect their wages in Karur. There is already some rush at that time. If you hold a large political rally in such a congested pocket at the same time, you're asking for trouble," says B. Balusamy, another resident.

Vijay arrived late, say residents. "Had he kept to the schedule, people would have left early. But he arrived after 7 p.m. The town was overflowing with people by then," says V. Balaji, a textile worker from Gowripuram in Karur town.

Residents also allege that they had little access to basic needs, especially drinking water. Karur has a hot, semi-arid climate and while September marks the end of the hottest season, temperatures during the day can soar to 37-38°C.

"People stood in the sun for hours. I saw children faint, and boys climbing transformers just to catch a glimpse of Vijay," says G. Chitra, a homemaker and resident of Velusamypuram. "There was only one hotel nearby, which was open. But the food there was too expensive for workers and daily-wage families. In the surrounding shops, there was no food available."

Lalli recalls the moments before the stampede occurred. "When Vijay began to speak, there was a power cut, and the mic failed. The crowd grew restless. I was holding Thuruvishnu in one hand and my daughter in the other when someone shoved us. I fell and he slipped from my arms."

For two hours, a hapless Lalli, who was injured herself, searched the lanes, before being admitted to the Karur Medical College Hospital. She learned only the next morning that her nephew had been found dead. Thuruvishnu's father, Vimal, had recognised him in TV footage from the government hospital. He had rushed to the spot to find his son's small body on a stretcher.

A descent into chaos

Karur residents draw parallels with other recent political gatherings, including by the two main parties in the State – the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) and the All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK).

K. Veeramani, a resident of Velusamypuram, says, "The DMK's Mupperum Vizha drew a much larger crowd. [Mupperum Vizha is a festival held in honour of icons of the Dravidian movement, such as Periyar and party founder C.N. Annadurai.] But it was held near the ring road, where there is space. Even the Opposition leader, Edappadi Palaniswami [of the AIADMK], addressed a meeting here two days earlier without incident. Why did this collapse into chaos?"

Participants say trouble began when Vijay's vehicle started moving through the crowd on one of the carriageways of the road with a median. His vehicle inched its way to the selected spot, where he was to address the gathering.

As people, including those who had been waiting since morning, tried to get closer to the vehicle, a major commotion broke out. People were pushed back and many lost their balance and fell on the road, say residents. Minutes after Vijay climbed on a makeshift stage atop his vehicle, frantic people tried to leave the area any which way, to save their lives.

Amid this confusion, Vijay delivered a few minutes of his speech. The atmosphere turned electric when he broke into a jingle, targeting former State Minister V. Senthilbalaji in connection with a money-laundering case.

Photos and videos that emerged later show people throwing footwear towards the campaign vehicle while Vijay was speaking. Some video clips showed lathi-wielding policemen charging at some people in the crowd. On hearing the frantic cries of people in the crowd, Vijay tossed water bottles at them. A video also showed the actor pausing his speech when he saw ambulances struggling to make their way through the crowd.

It was only when he seemed to realise the magnitude of the situation that Vijay cut short his speech. He quickly left the venue, went to Tiruchi, which is nearly two hours away by road, and flew to Chennai on a chartered plane; this drew a lot of criticism. He ignored journalists at the airport. Hours later, the actor posted on X, expressing grief over the incident and offering condolences to those killed.

According to officials of the Karur Medical College Hospital, 39 of the victims were brought in dead, while two others died later. A senior doctor says the primary cause of death was compressive asphyxia, triggered by intense pressure on the chest during the crowd surge. "Many people collapsed within minutes of being caught in the crush," the doctor says, adding that in some cases, he found rib and spinal fractures.

The First Information Report (FIR) registered by the Karur town police on September 27 says Vijay's arrival was deliberately delayed so more people could come to the rally. It says the police warned TVK leaders of the cadre's behaviour, but their warnings were not heeded. It also says that while the organisers had stated that 10,000 people would come, more than 25,000 people turned up at the rally.

The people, who waited in large numbers for several hours without food, water, and medical assistance, became fatigued due to the heat and crowding, which consequently led to a crush resulting in multiple deaths, the FIR adds.

The police charged TVK's Karur (west) district secretary V.P. Mathiyazhagan, party general secretary A 'Bussy' Anand, State joint general secretary C.T.R. Nirmal Kumar and others under Sections 105 (culpable homicide), 110 (attempt to commit culpable homicide), 223 (disobedience to order duly promulgated by a public servant) and 125 (endangering life of others) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Section 3 of the Tamil Nadu Property (Prevention of Damage and Loss) Act, 1982. They have arrested Mathiyazhagan and central town secretary M.C. Pounraj and remanded them in judicial custody.

The blame game

The tragedy, believed to be the first of its kind in a political rally in India, drew nationwide attention. As soon as news of it broke, President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi, and leaders of various political parties expressed grief and shock over the tragedy.

The State government responded swiftly, arranging medical aid and overnight autopsies, and promptly handed over the bodies to the grieving families. It also constituted a one-member Commission of Inquiry by retired High Court Judge Aruna Jagadeesan to probe the tragedy.

Hours after the tragedy, Chief Minister M.K. Stalin flew down to Tiruchi and drove to Karur past midnight, to console the bereaved families and call on the injured. The government directed doctors and specialists to the Karur Government Medical College Hospital, to take care of the people who continued to arrive in ambulances until late at night.

He later gave a statement saying, "No political party leader would ever wish for their followers or innocent civilians to die. When political parties and public organisations conduct such events, it is the duty of all of us to establish rules on how to act responsibly in the future."

The next day, AIADMK general secretary Palaniswami and a host of leaders of various political parties also visited the injured at the hospital. Palaniswami blamed the police for failing to provide adequate security. Terming the probe panel an "eyewash", he demanded an inquiry by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). The TVK has moved the Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court, also seeking a CBI inquiry into the tragedy.

The BJP constituted an eight-member delegation of Members of Parliament (MP) of the National Democratic Alliance, led by MP Hema Malini, to study the reasons for the stampede. The team visited Karur on September 30 and interacted with the survivors. They demanded an impartial probe led by a sitting judge of the Supreme Court. Malini told reporters that the venue was "inappropriate" for a rally held for thousands of people. "In the history of politics, such a tragedy has not happened," she said, adding that both the organisers and the administration should be held accountable. A day before the team visited the district, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitaraman also visited Karur and consoled families who had lost their loved ones.

The incident has emerged as a rallying point for the TVK and the main Opposition parties, including the AIADMK and the BJP, to hold the DMK government responsible for the tragedy. The State government has strongly refuted the charges made against it.

Vijay, who has not yet visited the grieving families or the injured being treated in hospitals, issued a video statement three days after the tragedy. "As a human being, how could I leave the place when so many people were affected? I chose not to go there immediately only to avoid the risk of any further unforeseen incidents," he said. He also addressed the Chief Minister and told him with a dramatic flourish to "take revenge against him, and spare the TVK cadre".

What the police say

The police say Velusamypuram is often identified by political parties as a location for public meetings. According to S. Davidson Devasirvatham, Additional Director General of Police, Law and Order, the organisers had originally sought permission for the rally at the Light House Roundabout. This was denied on the grounds that it was not a suitable location to hold a meeting. A day later, they sought permission at Uzhavar Sandhai. They were denied permission again, on the grounds that the location was narrow. Finally, they were allotted Velusamypuram, and the organisers consented to this.

Karthick from Erode district, who is one of the survivors, is critical of the police. "Only a few policemen were standing along the side of the road. Many of the policemen were posted in the outer ring of the meeting spot, only to regulate the traffic," he says. "Only around 10-15 policemen were walking alongside or in front of the vehicle. The tragedy could have been prevented if more policemen had been posted at the meeting spot and a large venue had been provided."

Dismissing the accusations, Devasirvatham says there was adequate security in place. The police deployment was in a ratio of 1:20 (police-public), he says. As the crowd swelled, Devasirvatham says more policemen were called in from the neighbouring districts.

A policeman on the condition of anonymity says the situation caused panic, even among the police. "I saw a person try and get a glimpse of the actor and slip and fall near his vehicle. The crowd trampled over him. Many people, who became tired and dehydrated, fell down on the road, only to be crushed by others. No one came forward to save the injured. Everybody was focused only on catching a glimpse of Vijay." He says he lifted up seven people trapped in the crowd. Of them, he laments that he could save only one.

While some blame the DMK and others blame Vijay for the tragedy, for many people, grief has not turned into anger against the actor. Sanjay, who lost his 7-year-old brother S. Kirthikyadav in the crowd crush, feels the actor cannot be held fully responsible. "Thalapathy [the honorific name popularly used for Vijay] would never have wanted this for us. If it had been in his control, he would have stopped it. He would never allow something like this to happen to any of us," he says.

Neela, Thuruvishnu's aunt, sits besides Matheswari. She says the mother, who suffers a speech and hearing impairment, is in shock. She says, "The pain in her eyes says it all."

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Matheswari lost her 22-month-old son in the crowd crush. VENGADESH R.

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Nations must prepare to deal with stablecoins: FM

"Alliances that once appeared solid are being tested, and new coalitions are emerging. For India, these dynamics highlight both vulnerability and resilience."

However, despite this reliance, she also cautioned that there was no time for complacency. "Just as eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, eternal performance is the price of strategic independence," she said.

"There is no room for complacency or self-congratulation beyond a quiet confidence in our abilities to take the right decisions and execute them," the Finance Minister added.

'Marginalised groups at risk in Pak., Bangladesh'

Supporters of the Joint Awami Action Committee block a road during a protest in Muzaffarabad on Friday. REUTERS

Protests have been continuing in the region under the banner of Awami Action Committee, demanding political reforms, subsidised food items, lower electricity bills, free education, and health facilities.

The protests have reportedly brought life to a standstill in capital Muzaffarabad. According to the Pakistani newspaper *Dawn*, at least 10 people had died and several were injured in police firing.

Investigation sought

Rejecting claims by a Bangladesh interim government adviser that India was extending support to protesters in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Mr. Jaiswal said Dhaka was "unable to maintain law and order situation" and had "routinely sought to shift the blame elsewhere".

"We categorically reject these false and baseless allegations. The interim government, which is unable to maintain law and order in Bangladesh, has routinely sought to shift the blame elsewhere, it would do well to introspect and conduct serious investigations into the action of local extremists committing violence, arson and land grab against the minority communities in the Chittagong Hill Tracts," Mr. Jaiswal said. The situation in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) spiralled out of control last Sunday when at least three persons belonging to the indigenous Marma and Mog communities were killed by the Bangladesh Army personnel, prompting calls for international intervention to protect the rights of the indigenous people in the region, where armed groups had signed a pact for autonomy and development with the previous Sheikh Hasina-led government in 1997.

Speaking to presspersons in Dhaka on Tuesday, Home adviser Lieutenant-General Jehangir Alam Choudhury (retd.) held "India and fascist groups" responsible for the unrest in CHT and said, "We are taking all-out measures to ensure that they cannot be successful".

"A vested quarter is trying to create unrest to disrupt the peaceful atmosphere of Durga puja of the Hindu community. They attempted to prevent the festival from being celebrated with religious fervour and festivity. This vested group is behind the Khagrachhari incident," Mr. Choudhury said.

The violence in Khagrachhari had flared up after a teenager was reportedly raped and the local people were subjected to police action when they sought justice.

Pakistan lost several jets in Operation Sindoor: IAF chief

Air chief says India inflicted extensive damage on radars, command-and-control centres, hangars, and China-made JF-17 jets in Pakistan; he dismisses Pak. PM's claim that India suffered huge losses

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Battle brief: Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh addressing a press conference in New Delhi on Friday. SUSHIL KUMAR VERMA

Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh on Friday said that India inflicted extensive damage on Pakistan's air power, including U.S.-made F-16s and Chinese JF-17 fighter jets, during Operation Sindoor.

Speaking at the 93rd Air Force Day celebrations at the Air Force Auditorium in Delhi, the IAF chief presented a detailed account of the strikes, while outlining the Air Force's future plans under Roadmap 2047.

Strategic strike

"From various Intelligence reports, we have gathered that radars were damaged at four locations, command-and-control centres destroyed at two, and runways at two airfields were hit. Three hangars were also damaged across different stations. Within these hangars and on the tarmac, we have clear evidence of one C-130 class aircraft destroyed, along with four to five F-16 fighter jets that were based at these stations," the Air Chief Marshal said.

He said evidence indicated the loss of one long-range platform – likely an AEW&C or SIGINT aircraft – struck at a distance of more than 300 km, along with "five high-tech fighters between the F-16 and JF-17 class".

Dismissing Pakistan's claims of Indian losses, Mr. Singh called them "*manohar kahaniyan* (fascinating tales)". "If they think they downed our 15 jets, I hope they are convinced about it and they will cater for 15 less aircraft in my inventory when they come to fight again," he said.

Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif had recently told the United Nations General Assembly that seven Indian jets were downed, a claim the IAF has firmly rejected.

On the future plans, the Air chief said all three services have begun work on the Sudarshan Chakra air defence system, announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on August 15.

The system is aimed at shielding critical civilian and military infrastructure while providing decisive responses to enemy threats.

Future of warfare

Responding to Tesla CEO Elon Musk's remarks that drones, not manned aircraft, represent the future of warfare, Mr. Singh countered, "Manned platforms will continue to play a crucial role in combat operations. Fighter jets will remain relevant in the years to come. Elon Musk is a businessman."

On the Tejas Mk1A, the IAF chief expressed enthusiasm for its induction, saying, "Hungry mouths are ready, waiting for the food now." He emphasised that the aircraft was expected to meet all performance parameters outlined in earlier requirements.

India won't show restraint next time, says Army chief

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NEW DELHI

General Upendra Dwivedi

Army chief General Upendra Dwivedi on Friday issued a sharp warning to Pakistan, saying that if it continues state-sponsored terrorism, it may have to "reconsider its place on the world map".

Addressing troops in the forward area of Anupgarh in Sriganganagar district of Rajasthan, General Dwivedi reviewed operational readiness, and urged soldiers to remain fully prepared for action.

"India is fully prepared this time and won't show the restraint we exhibited during Operation Sindoor 1.0. This time, we will take a step forward and act in a manner that will make Pakistan think whether it wants to remain on the world map or not," he said.

Constant vigilance

Calling on soldiers to maintain constant vigilance, he said, "Keep yourselves fully prepared now, if God wills, the opportunity will come soon." Referring to Operation Sindoor, launched after the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack, the Army chief said India had struck nine terrorist sites inside Pakistan.

"We had identified only terrorist bases. We have no complaints against ordinary Pakistani citizens, but as long as the country sponsors terrorism, we will strike those who support it," he said.

General Dwivedi said India had provided proof of all destroyed targets this time, countering Pakistan's past denials. He cited a list of casualties mistakenly released by Islamabad, which included over 100 Pakistani soldiers, in addition to the terrorists killed.

Male tiger, two cubs, found dead at the Kanha Tiger Reserve

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The reserve in M.P. says the adult tiger was seen in a fight with another big cat by a patrolling team

A male tiger and two female cubs have been found dead inside the Kanha Tiger Reserve (KTR) in Madhya Pradesh's Mandla district, officials said on Friday, attributing the deaths to territorial fights among big cats.

According to officials, the carcass of a 10-year-old male tiger, identified as the 'Balaghat Male Tiger', was found in the Mukhi range in the core zone of KTR, while the two cubs, aged two-three months, were found dead at another location in the same range on Thursday.

All three carcasses have been cremated after post-mortem examinations.

Madhya Pradesh Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), Wildlife, Subharanjan Sen, told *The Hindu* that a preliminary investigation has been conducted as per the guidelines of the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) and any human involvement has been ruled out. "We have also collected various samples like viscera, water from nearby bodies and food consumed by them [the deceased tigers] and have sent [them] for forensic examination," Mr. Sen said, adding that no snare or traps were found around any of the carcasses.

In a statement, the KTR said the adult male tiger was seen in a fight with another big cat by a patrolling team.

"According to information provided by the local patrol team, the [two female] cubs appear to have died from an attack by a male tiger," it read.

This is the sixth tiger death in the KTR in 2025, while the three deaths take the State's overall toll this year to 39.

Kuki outfit chief among 13 militants held in Manipur; arms and cash recovered

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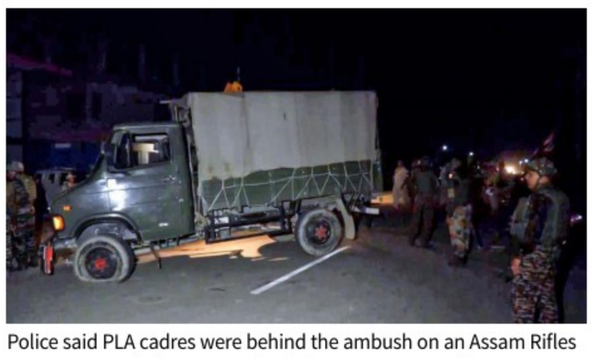

Police said PLA cadres were behind the ambush on an Assam Rifles convoy in Nambol in September, killing two personnel. FILE PHOTO

Security forces in Manipur have apprehended 13 extremists from across the State over 48 hours since October 1.

These extremists belong to three banned armed groups – the Chin Kuki Mizo Army (CKMA), United Kuki National Army (UKNA), and the predominantly Meitei People's Liberation Army (PLA).

According to the Manipur Police, four members of the CKMA were caught in Churachandpur district on October 1. They included the group's self-styled military chief, Paokholen Guite.

"He was involved in the trafficking of weapons and drugs across the India-Myanmar border for non-SoO organisations in Manipur, such as the UKNA," a police spokesperson said, adding that two AK-47 rifles, 181 rounds of assorted ammunition, ₹1 lakh in cash, and a car were seized from his possession.

SoO is short for Suspension of Operations, an agreement for cessation of hostilities between the Centre and the extremist Kuki-Zo umbrella organisations involving 25 groups.

In another operation, the security forces caught two cadres of the PLA from Imphal West district on October 2. They were accused of extorting money from brick kiln owners and the public in the Imphal Valley areas. A third PLA member, involved in extorting money from quarry owners, was caught at Yairipok in Thoubal district.

The police said PLA cadres were behind the ambush on an Assam Rifles convoy in Nambol in September. Two personnel of the paramilitary force were killed in the ambush.

Later, security forces caught six UKNA members, including one linked to the killing of four civilians in Bishnupur district on January 18, 2024. In a statement, the outfit had warned against such operations in the future.

Friday prayers held in U.P.'s Bareilly amid heavy security

The Hindu Bureau
LUCKNOW

Bareilly and many other districts in Uttar Pradesh remained on edge following heavy police deployment and drone surveillance to prevent any untoward incident during Friday prayers.

Bareilly witnessed violence on September 26 after the chief of the Ittehade-Millat Council, Tauqeer Raza Khan, announced a sit-in against alleged instances of derogatory remarks against the Prophet.

Eight drone teams were also active in the city area to keep a check on anti-social elements.

Similarly, many other districts in the State, including Sambhal, Saharanpur, Barabanki, and Varanasi, witnessed heavy police deployment and flag marches in sensitive locations with mixed population.

In Bareilly alone, 8,000 police and Provincial Armed Constabulary personnel were stationed.

Three drown in sea in Sindhudurg; four missing

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Three tourists drowned in sea off Sindhudurg district of Maharashtra on Friday evening. Four are missing. The victims hail from two families.

A 17-year-old girl was rescued and is undergoing treatment. Three bodies were recovered. As the sea was rough, the search was stopped at night.

"The incident occurred around 4 p.m. off the Shiroda Velagar beach. Eight persons entered the water. They included children, women and men. One of them was rescued. We could recover three bodies. Four are still missing," Sidhudurg SP Mohan Dahikar told *The Hindu*.

Wangchuk's wife moves Supreme Court, seeks his immediate release

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Gitanjali J. Angmo

Climate activist Sonam Wangchuk's wife, Gitanjali J. Angmo, has filed a *habeas corpus* petition in the Supreme Court challenging his preventive detention under the National Security Act (NSA), 1980, following violent protests in Leh on September 24.

Ms. Angmo has requested the top court to direct the authorities to disclose the whereabouts of Mr. Wangchuk and order his immediate release. She submitted that it had been a week since he was reported to be detained at Jodhpur in Rajasthan on September 26, and said there had been no information either about the grounds of his detention or his state of health. Section 3 of the NSA empowers the appropriate government to issue an order of preventive detention if the activities of an individual are found to be prejudicial to public order, the security of the State, India's relations with foreign powers, or the maintenance of essential supplies and services. The Act requires that a detention order be issued only after the competent authority finds "vital and relevant material" to show that the person's actions were prejudicial to national interests or public order. The order must be reasoned and supplied to the detainee or his family.

Ground for detention

The Supreme Court, in a series of judgments, has laid down guidelines for authorities while exercising their subjective satisfaction under the NSA, including the requirement to consider only relevant and proximate material in arriving at such satisfaction.

Judicial review extends to assessing whether the "subjective satisfaction" of the authority was based on objective facts or, conversely, influenced by caprice, malice, irrelevant considerations, or non-application of mind. The top court has consistently held that "preventive detention of a person is a drastic measure and an order of preventive detention has the effect of invading a person's personal liberty".

A statement released by the Ladakh administration blamed Mr. Wangchuk for persisting with his hunger strike despite government overtures for talks. "His series of provocative speeches, reference to Nepal agitations, Arab Spring, etc, and misleading videos resulted in the violent protests," it said.

The statement added that it was "not advisable to keep him [Wangchuk] in Leh district".

Schools reopen up to Class 8 in Leh; L-G reviews security

Peerzada Ashiq
LEH

People walking through the main market in Leh. IMRAN NISSAR

Schools reopened on Friday up to Class 8 in Ladakh's Leh town, nine days after they were closed in the wake of the September 24 protests that left four civilians dead and over 80 injured.

The move comes as the situation remained peaceful during the curfew relaxation hours in the past few days. Officials said the Leh administration had allowed school buses to run on Friday. However, the official order suggested reopening up to Class 8.

"I was missing studies and the time I spend with friends at school," said a Class 6 student of Government Primary School in Tukcha. The schools reopened a day after 26 residents, arrested for participating in the protests, were released, according to the Leh Apex Body (LAB) which is spearheading an agitation demanding Statehood for Ladakh and its inclusion in the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution.

Most shops remained open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Prohibitory orders (ban on assembly of four or more persons) continue and mobile internet services remain suspended.

Ladakh Lieutenant-Governor Kavinder Gupta reviewed the security situation again. "L-G chaired a high-level security review meeting today to assess the prevailing law and order and overall security scenario in the Union Territory," an official post on X said.

Ruling JD(U) MLA joins RJD just ahead of Bihar election

The Hindu Bureau
PATNA

In the run-up to the Assembly election in Bihar, a ruling Janata Dal (United) MLA, Sanjeev Kumar, representing the Parbatta Assembly constituency in Khagaria district, joined the Opposition Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) at an event in Parbatta on Friday.

Welcoming Mr. Kumar into the RJD, party leader Tejashwi Yadav asserted that his entry would have a big impact in Bihar. In the 2020 Assembly election, Mr. Kumar defeated Digambar Prasad Tiwary of the RJD by a narrow margin of 951 votes.

Hailing from the Bhumihar caste, Mr. Kumar joining the RJD is seen as a boost for Mr. Tejashwi, the Leader of the Opposition in the Bihar Assembly who has been working hard to expand the RJD's support base beyond its traditional Muslim-Yadav (MY) base.

EC briefs Central observers for Bihar Assembly election

CEC urges them to act as the 'eyes and ears' of the commission, ensure impartial conduct of elections, and be fully accessible to parties, voters

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) on Friday organised a briefing for general, police, and expenditure observers to be deployed as Central observers for the upcoming Bihar Assembly election and byelections in certain States.

The briefing was attended by 287 IAS and 58 IPS officers and 80 officers from other services.

Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, along with Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi, addressed the participants.

"As the commission's eyes and ears, the Central observers were asked to familiarise themselves with all the election laws, rules, and guidelines, provide direct field inputs, and ensure their strict and impartial compliance. The observers were instructed to remain fully accessible to political parties, candidates, and voters for the redressal of their grievances," said an EC release.

The observers were also directed to visit polling stations and ensure the implementation of the recent initiatives introduced by the commission for the convenience of voters.

Voter awareness: A painting on a wall in Patna seeks to create awareness among voters ahead of the Bihar Assembly election. ANI

Rahul a servant of anti-India forces, says BJP over his Colombia remarks

Devesh K. Pandey
NEW DELHI

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Friday labelled Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi as a "flag-bearer of anti-India forces", citing his latest remarks at a university in Colombia about the "wholesale attack on the democratic system" in India.

"It is ironic that those who have been perpetuating monarchy under the guise of democracy for the past 100 years are now giving speeches on democracy. This is particularly when Narendra Modi, who used to sell tea on a railway platform, has been elected by the people as the Prime Minister for a third consecutive term," BJP MP and spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi said at a press conference.

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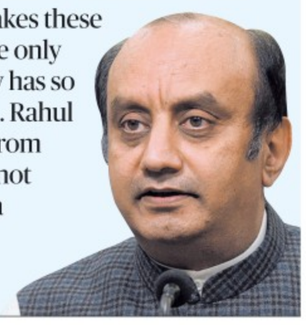

National interest

Mr. Trivedi said Mr. Modi was the biggest symbol of democracy and a symbol of India's democratic maturity and expansion. Seeking to draw a contrast between the Congress and the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), Mr. Trivedi said that over the past 100 years, the RSS had always acted in the national interest.

"The Congress was founded by a British officer, had British secretaries as its presidents for the first 25 years, and has been dominated by one family for the past 100 years... shocked over the organisation's decline and loss of power, a member of that family, who seems to be an obedient servant of anti-India forces, has made yet another statement from abroad, which is not surprising," he said.

'Becoming a tool'

The BJP leader alleged that the Congress was, whether knowingly or unknowingly, becoming a tool of anti-India forces. "When Rahul Gandhi travels abroad, why does he not take note of a case study by Cambridge University in December 2024 on India's digital transformation under Mr. Modi?" he said, also citing some positive reports on India by some other international institutions of repute.

"What kind of talent does Rahul Gandhi possess that makes these foreign universities invite only him? The Congress party has so many intelligent people – P. Chidambaram, Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Shashi Tharoor, Manish Tewari, and several others who are experts in their respective fields. Even Jairam Ramesh and Sam Pitroda are not invited... Rahul Gandhi gets invitations from universities abroad, but not by institutions in India," Mr. Trivedi said.

The BJP leader alleged that the Congress was making attempts to create rifts on the basis of caste, language, and region. "They want to pit different castes against each other... their entire agenda is clear," he said.

Nitish transfers ₹2,500 cr. to 25 lakh women as aid to start their own businesses

The Hindu Bureau
PATNA

Ahead of the Assembly election, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Friday transferred ₹2,500 crore through direct benefits transfer into the bank accounts of 25 lakh women across the State, giving financial assistance of ₹10,000 each under the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana.

Both Deputy Chief Ministers Samrat Choudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha were present during the programme held at the Chief Minister's office in Patna.

Earlier, on September 26, Prime Minister Narendra Modi transferred ₹7,500 crore to the bank accounts of 75 lakh women via video conferencing from Delhi.

The Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana provides one woman from each family the opportunity to start a business of her own choice. So far, a total of ₹10,000 crore has been transferred to the accounts of 1 crore beneficiaries.

Welfare boost: Chief Minister Nitish Kumar during the transfer of ₹2,500 crore in Patna on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Mr. Kumar said that financial assistance to the remaining women would be transferred on October 8.

"I am confident that all mothers and sisters will start good employment opportunities with this ₹10,000. This will bring prosperity to your families and accelerate the development of the State and the country," Mr. Kumar said.

Self-help group (SHG) members, also known as *Jeevika didis*, also joined the programme through live telecast at the district and block levels.

Under the scheme, priority is given to those women who either belong to the economically weaker section or those who do not have a permanent source of income.

The benefit of the scheme is given to those who have a nuclear family (comprising husband, wife, and unmarried children).

Unmarried adult women whose parents are not alive are also eligible. Applicants must be between 18 and 60 years of age.

After evaluating performance, an additional ₹2 lakh as a grant will be given to women entrepreneurs after six months.

CPI(ML) asks poll panel why names of 3.66 lakh Bihar voters were deleted

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

"The Election Commission (EC) should specify the grounds for deleting 3.66 lakh additional voters," CPI (ML) Liberation general secretary Dipankar Bhattacharya said on Friday, saying the lack of clarity on the final electoral rolls published on September 30 for Bihar ahead of the Assembly election was a matter of concern.

Mr. Bhattacharya flagged four key problems with the final rolls. "First and foremost, we still don't know how many of those who were wrongfully deleted from the draft rolls have been restored in the final rolls. The disproportionate deletion of women from the voter rolls is also worrying," he said.

"There were 914 women per 1,000 male voters on the electoral rolls before the special intensive revision (SIR). It has now come down to 892."

Mr. Bhattacharya said, "There are several constituencies where the number of voters in the final list is lower than that of the draft roll published on August 1."

The final electoral rolls released on September 30 had 7.42 crore names. Prior to the special intensive revision, the State had 7.89 crore voters as on June 24, 2025. When the draft list was released on August 1, there were 7.24 crore names with 65 lakh removed. On the final list, 21.53 lakh names were added and 3.66 lakh removed.

'Need clear answers'

"The EC directed those who have been wrongfully deleted to use Form 6 to enroll themselves afresh in the voter rolls. This form was usually used for first-time voters. EC should provide clarity on how many of those added using Form 6 are first-time voters," he said.

He cited reports revealing that at least 6,000 cases of deletions were due to people being found as "non-citizens of India." No such figure had emerged after the draft rolls were published. "This is a significant number. The EC must give us clear answers on how they arrived at this figure," he said. "If the answers aren't forthcoming, the Opposition will have to approach the Supreme Court once again," he added.

Making a point: CPI(ML) general secretary Dipankar Bhattacharya addressing a press conference in Patna on Friday. ANI

Bihar Cabinet hikes DA from 55% to 58% for govt. employees

The Hindu Bureau
PATNA

The decision comes before the expected announcement of Assembly election in the State

As a bonanza ahead of the festive season of Deepavali and Chhath, the Bihar Cabinet on Friday approved a 3% increase in dearness allowance for government employees, pensioners and family pensioners.

"The Cabinet has taken a decision to increase DA by 3% from the existing 55% to 58%. It will be payable with effect from July 1, 2025," Additional Chief Secretary Arvind Kumar Chaudhary told pressperson in a post-Cabinet briefing in Patna.

He said the move would have an additional financial burden of ₹917 crore on the State's exchequer. Mr. Chaudhary asserted that the decision to increase DA has been taken in view of the Centre's decision to increase DA for its employees and pensioners from July 1, 2025.

A total of 129 decisions were taken at the Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar. The meeting was held with just weeks to go for the announcement of the Assembly polls in the State.

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Parties banking on women for poll gains in Bihar

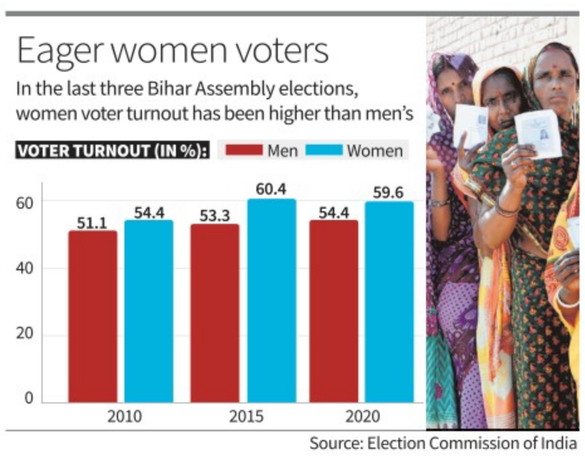
Amarnath Tewary
PATNA

With the Assembly election in Bihar just weeks ahead, political parties have focused on women voters by announcing several exclusive welfare measures for them and planning to give ticket to more of them, apparently to win their crucial votes.

The Janata Dal(U) and BJP of the ruling National Democratic Alliance have been announcing several welfare schemes for women.

Similarly, the Opposition *Mahagatbandhan* (grand alliance) partners, such as the Rashtriya Janata Dal and Congress, have been trying to win women's votes.

Women have consistently outnumbered male voters in the State since 2010. In the 2020 Assembly election, as many as 62 women candidates contested, out of which 26 emerged victorious. In the 2024 Lok Sabha election, women's turnout was 59.45% against men's 53%.



Similarly, in the 2019 Lok Sabha election, out of the total voter turnout of 57.33%, women accounted for 59.58% against men's 54.09%.

In the 2015 Assembly election, the voter turnout among women was 60.48% against 53.32% among men, contributing to an overall turnout of 56.88%. In 2010, 54.49% was the women's turnout, while that of men was just 51.12%. In 2015, there were 28 women MLAs in the Assembly, while in 2010, the number was 34.

In the 2020 Assembly election, the BJP had given party ticket to 13 women candidates, out of which nine won. The Janata Dal (U) had fielded 22 women, and of them, six won.

Similarly, the RJD had put 16 women candidates in the poll arena, but only seven won.

The Congress had given ticket to seven women, out of which four won.

The smaller parties, too, have fielded women candidates.

"With the women voters consistently outnumbering men in the past elections in Bihar, all political parties have now started promising a slew of schemes to woo them," political analyst N.K. Choudhary said.

Schemes and outreach

"Bihar has a total of 10.75 lakh women self-help groups (SHGs). Members of these groups act as a strong link between the Janata Dal(U) and women voters," a senior party leader and Minister, preferring anonymity, told *The Hindu*.

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Friday transferred ₹10,000 to the bank accounts of 25 lakh women across the State under Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojna.

Earlier, the RJD and Congress had announced the Mai Bahin Samman Yojna under which a monthly financial assistance of ₹2,500 to women coming from financially vulnerable and backward communities was announced "when the coalition would form the government in the State".

Similarly, the newly formed Jan Suraaj Party had earlier announced to provide 40 of the total 243 seats in the Assembly to women candidates in the upcoming elections.

The Chief Election Commissioner of India reached Patna on Friday along with a team of officials, to assess the poll preparedness in the State for two days.

After returning to Delhi, he is expected to announce the dates of the upcoming Assembly election.

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INBRIEF

Around 100 houses set ablaze on Assam-Nagaland boundary

A large group of armed miscreants attacked and set fire to some 100 houses in a disputed sector of the Assam-Nagaland boundary on Thursday. Officials in Golaghat district of eastern Assam said the miscreants, allegedly from Nagaland, fired guns and hurled grenades before setting fire to the houses mostly belonging to migrant Muslims. The incident happened around 11.45 p.m. in the B Sector. Affected villagers said the miscreants set fire to their homes after dragging them out. The people fled to safer areas as the assailants fired in the air, one villager said. Personnel of the the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) have been stationed in the area.

Centre fines Drishti IAS for misleading advertisements

The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) has imposed a penalty of ₹5 lakh on the coaching institute Drishti IAS (VDK Eduventures Pvt. Ltd.) for publishing misleading advertisements. "Drishti IAS in its advertisement prominently claimed '216+ selections in UPSC CSE 2022' along with names and photographs of successful candidates," the Union Consumer Affairs Ministry said in a statement on Friday. Upon examination, the CCPA found that the claim was misleading and the institute concealed crucial information regarding the type and duration of courses opted by these candidates. The CCPA had imposed a penalty of ₹3 lakh on Drishti IAS for similar conduct last year as well.

Cough syrups not contaminated, says Centre; T.N. test detects adulteration

Union Health Ministry says none of the cough syrup samples contained diethylene glycol or ethylene glycol that are known to cause serious kidney injury; Tamil Nadu says tests showed Coldrif batch had diethylene glycol, orders production halt

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI/CHENNAI

Note of caution: Children should be given cough syrup only under prescription, says the Health Ministry in its advisory. ISTOCK

The Union Health Ministry said on Friday that tests had confirmed that cough syrups linked to the recent deaths of children in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan did not contain contaminants causing serious kidney injury .

However, the Tamil Nadu's Drugs Control Department issued an immediate stop production order to the manufacturer of the Coldrif brand of cough syrup after an analysis by the Government Drugs Testing Laboratory found a batch to be "not of standard quality" and "adulterated with diethylene glycol".

The nine deaths in Madhya Pradesh were attributed to Coldrif, while the two cases in Rajasthan were linked to the consumption of a dextromethorphan-based formulation.

Following the deaths in Madhya Pradesh, a joint team of representatives from the National Centre for Disease Control, the National Institute of Virology (NIV), the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation, and other institutes visited the State. They collected samples of cough syrups and blood and other samples from patients.

"As per the test results, none of the samples contained diethylene glycol (DEG) or ethylene glycol (EG), contaminants that are known to cause serious kidney injury," the Ministry said.

One leptospirosis case

The Madhya Pradesh State Food and Drug Administration tested three samples and confirmed the absence of DEG and EG. Further, blood and cerebrospinal fluid samples have been tested by the NIV, Pune, for common pathogens. One case has been found positive for leptospirosis, said a release from the Health Ministry. Samples of water and respiratory specimens were under further investigation by the NEERI, NIV Pune, and other laboratories, it added.

As regards the reports related to death of two children in Rajasthan, the Ministry clarified that the product in question did not contain propylene glycol, which can be a potential source of DEG and EG.

"Additionally, the product under reference is a dextromethorphan-based formulation, which is not recommended for paediatric use," said the note.

The Rajasthan Medical and Health Department has ruled out any connection between the deaths and the cough syrup given under the Chief Minister's free medicine scheme.

"An inquiry report has confirmed that the [two] children were given cough syrup at home without medical advice," Ravi Prakash Sharma, Director (Public Health), said in Jaipur.

Mr. Sharma said the doctors at the government health facilities in Sikar and Bharatpur had not prescribed dextromethorphan drug in both incidents. "This generic cough syrup is not prescribed for children," he said.

However, Kayson Pharma, the firm based at Sarna Doongar village in Jaipur, which supplies drugs for the Chief Minister's free medicine scheme, has come under the State government's scanner. The Health Department has ordered a probe into the quality of all medicines manufactured by the firm.

India has faced such crises before. In 2020, 12 children died in Jammu after drinking a contaminated cough syrup. In 2022, 70 children died in the Gambia, allegedly due to Indian syrups laced with DEG.

Show-cause notice

The Tamil Nadu government has issued a show-cause notice to the manufacturer.

S. Gurubharathi, Deputy Director of Drugs Control and Licensing Authority-cum-Controlling Authority, Tamil Nadu, confirmed the finding. The Drugs Control Department said it had taken immediate regulatory action after receiving information on the deaths in Madhya Pradesh attributed to the drug containing paracetamol, phenylephrine hydrochloride, chlorpheniramine maleate syrup (Coldrif Syrup), Batch No. SR-13 (manufacturing date of May 2025 and expiry date of April 2027) manufactured by Sresan Pharmaceutical Manufacturer, Sunguvarchathiram, Kancheepuram district.

Advisory

The Union Health Ministry has issued an advisory to all States and Union Territories on rational use of cough syrups in children. Advocating for safe, limited and only-under-prescription use of cough syrups, it said that cough in children is usually a self-limiting condition. It cautioned against prescribing cough syrups to children below two years of age.

Legality alone does not make a law just, says CJI

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Drawing parallels between sedition laws in Independent India, slavery in the U.S., and the Criminal Tribes Act in colonial India, Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai on Saturday said that "legality alone does not confer fairness or justice" on a law.

"It is important to remember that just because something is legalised, it does not mean it is just. History offers numerous examples of this painful truth. Slavery was once legal in many parts of the world, including the U.S. In India, colonial legislation such as the Criminal Tribes Act of 1871 branded entire communities criminals by birth. Laws of sedition were often used to suppress resistance against oppressive legal systems," Chief Justice Gavai observed in his inaugural Sir Maurice Rault Memorial Lecture 2025.

He said that the Indian Constitution distinguished between what was legal and what was fair or just. Constitutional provisions on the judiciary were framed with a sense of "idealism", ensuring that courts would act as a check against the undue exercise of power by the Executive.

Zubeen Garg death case: festival organiser moves SC for protection

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

North East India Festival chief organiser Shyamkanu Mahanta, arrested on October 1, has moved the top court. PTI

Festival organiser Shyamkanu Mahanta on Friday moved the Supreme Court seeking protection for his "life, limb and personal liberty" following the death of Assamese singer Zubeen Garg in Singapore.

Mr. Mahanta said he was a "victim of a well calculated witch-hunt involving irresponsible media reportings, both print and electronic, which seek to create a false narrative with regard to the alleged involvement of the petitioner in the sad and unfortunate demise of his very dear personal friend, Mr. Zubeen Garg". The petition said he had been deprived of his right to mourn his dear friend.

Mr. Mahanta said he was subjected to "large-scale public hatred owing to a false narrative", and termed the allegations against him "ludicrous to say the least".

Mr. Mahanta has sought an NIA or a CBI probe into the death, and a fair trial monitored by a retired Supreme Court judge, instead of allegations becoming "embroiled in a media trial on mainstream media and social media".

In his writ petition, Mr. Mahanta said he was the event organiser of a festival planned for September 19 to 21 at Singapore and was "not even present at the place of occurrence of the unfortunate demise of the late singer".

"The petitioner could not even meet the deceased on September 19, 2025 i.e., the date of the incident, as he was busy in overseeing the arrangements of the festival and had met him only on September 17, 2025," the petition, filed through advocate Raj Kamal, submitted.

The petition said Mr. Mahanta himself came to know about the singer's death around 1 p.m. IST via a telephonic call from the singer's manager Siddharth Sharma. Mr. Sharma, too, has been arrested in the case.

The State has registered a case of criminal conspiracy, culpable homicide not amounting to murder, and causing death by negligence under sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita. It has constituted a Special Investigation Team to investigate into the death.

"The petitioner is faced with a barrage of FIRs, more than 54 in number," the petition said.

Talks continue as India and China plan to restart flights from Oct. 26

Jagriti Chandra
NEW DELHI

The green signal from the Centre for resumption of flights between India and China from October 26 after a gap of five years comes even as the two sides "remain engaged" on revising the bilateral air service agreement, according to a senior government official.

On Thursday, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) announced that India and China had agreed to resume direct flights from October 26, coinciding with the start of the winter schedule.

Soon after, IndiGo said it would launch a daily Kolkata-Guangzhou service from October 26, and add daily flights from New Delhi to the Chinese trade hub once regulatory approvals were in place.

Taking off: The two nations 'remain engaged' on revising the bilateral air service agreement. FILE PHOTO

Five Chinese carriers have approached the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) for passenger and cargo flights.

"We remain engaged on air service agreements," a senior government official said when asked if the two sides had agreed on a revised pact covering seat capacity and destinations allowed to the airlines of the two countries. The official added that they did not want these discussions to further delay the resumption of flights.

In a statement on Thursday, the Ministry said the two countries had been holding technical-level discussions since early this year, including on the air service agreement, as part of the government's strategy for the "gradual normalisation of relations".

Passenger services

Apart from IndiGo, Air India plans to resume flights to Shanghai "before the end of the year".

Government officials said Akasa also intends to fly to China. The DGCA has granted permission for passenger flights to Chinese carriers China Eastern (Shanghai-Delhi; five weekly flights). Others who have applied in the passenger category are Air China and Shandong. Two Chinese airlines have also sought permission for cargo flights, and these include China Southern and Sichuan Airlines.

The Indian carriers have sought "modernisation" of the air services agreement, said another industry source without elaborating on the specifics.

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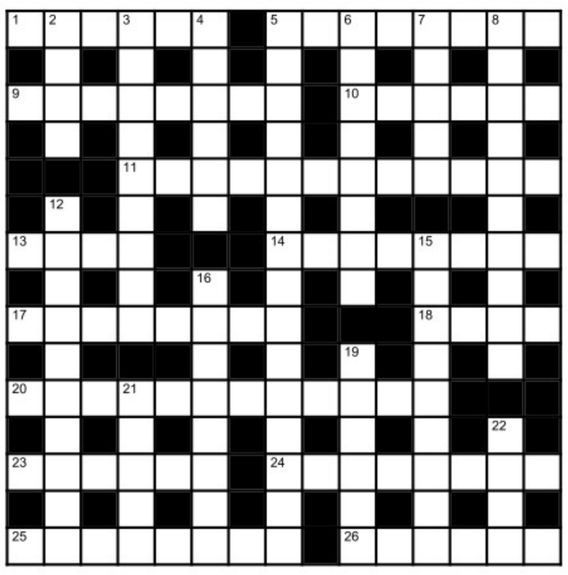

Across

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5 Most uncouth bums lying in bed (8)
9 John and Avtaar carrying bread for Turkish boss (8)
10 Held in deposit after return by writer (4-2)
11 Singing legend, (not a Rastafarian), performed captivating "New York", at the end (5,7)
13 Revolutionary upset a royal (4)
14 Bishop pokes a judge to irritate (8)
17 Spooner's guy rations fuel (8)
18 Smart chap, perhaps, retired in Iceland, after leaving India (4)
20 Mostly gormand sorts starting to enjoy cooking (12)
23 Sharper, thinner, low leaves (6)
24 Made way through article by director - gripping study (8)
25 Host quietly ignored one taking umbrage (8)
26 Creeps in ship taking over lounge (6)

Down

2 Set of notes about seaweed (4)
3 I'm looking up label sealing father's computer (9)
4 A boring quiet chap who practises black magic (6)
5 Extremely cool, dark, romantic novel outside small shop that sells online too (6,3,6)
6 Pressure on police department to arrest rebel after American provided a brief (8)
7 Amundsen napped consuming laxative (5)
8 Maids cleaned up our settees stained with black, pouring a drop of ethanol (10)
12 Invest in recycled plastic, increasing environmental awareness, basically (10)
15 Mark holding back British orchestra (5,4)
16 Head of anarchic state's chant about leaders of clamorous rioters storming vessel (8)
19 Faces animals crossing terminal in Dortmund (6)
21 Your warmth in entertaining inspires (5)
22 Loud spy dog (4)

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Solution to previous puzzle

Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Accessible rulers

King Manu Needhi Chozhan's son Veedhi Vidangan was driving a chariot. With the recklessness of youth, he drove fast. A cow and its calf were on the road. Because of the speed at which he was driving, Veedhi Vidangan could not steer the chariot away from the animals. The result was that he ran over the calf. The sorrowful cow decided to seek justice for its dead child, said R. Narayanan in a discourse. It went to the palace to meet the king.

Outside the palace was a bell, which people rang to draw the king's attention. The cow rang the bell. The courtiers reported to the king the strange sight of a cow seeking help. The king and his men followed the cow, which led them to the spot where the prince had run over the calf. The king did not hesitate even for a moment. If a life had been taken unfairly, the offender should pay for it with his own life. So, the king had his son crushed under a chariot. Lord Siva of Thiruvarur appreciated the king's sense of fairness, and restored both the calf and the prince to life.

It is rare to find a person like Manu Needhi Chozhan. Usually, parents justify whatever their children do. But this king punished his son, although the son had not deliberately killed the calf. The king was accessible to all, even to an animal. Accessibility is the hallmark of a good ruler. Thiruvalluvar says if a king is approachable and kind, then the world will praise his country.

Sekkizhar, who wrote *Peria Puranam*, says a king should protect his subjects from all kinds of dangers. Danger may come from the king himself, or his son, or from foreign powers, or thieves, or animals. A king must guard his subjects from these five sources of danger.

INBRIEF

I-T dept slaps ₹23 cr. fine on Adani Cement entity ACC

The Income Tax (I-T) department has imposed two separate fines on ACC Ltd, totalling ₹23.07 crore, which will be contested by the Adani Group firm before the appellate authorities. The I-T department has slapped a penalty of ₹14.22 crore allegedly "for furnishing of inaccurate particulars of income" for Assessment Year 2015-16. The department also levied a penalty amounting to ₹8.85 crore "for under-reporting of income" for Assessment Year 2018-19. PTI

Domestic air traffic slipped to 1.29 cr. in August: DGCA data

Domestic airlines flew 1.29 crore passengers in August, lower than the 1.31 crore people carried by them in the year-earlier period, according to the latest official data. However, the traffic quantum was higher in August compared to July, when it stood at 1.26 crore. IndiGo's domestic market share fell to 64.2% in August against 65.2% in July, while that of Air India Group – comprising Air India and Air India Express – rose to 27.3% from 26.2% during the same period. PTI

'Earnings growth may not persist in the near term'

Stock markets are anticipating quicker growth in corporate earnings,for stock markets to pick up but this is not likely in the next few quarters, according to report by Ambit Institutional Equities citing historical data. The odds of companies delivering sustaining above-median earnings growth "are no better than a coin toss," the authors found. Using data, Ambit said it is rare for earnings to show a persistent growth in consecutive years

TCS deploying shock tactics, coercion to fire staff: unions

TCS claims it provided financial benefits for those forced to resign; Karnataka's Labour Ministry, along with KITU, is expected to hold another round of conciliation meeting on October 15

Mini Tejaswi
BENGALURU

Tech workers' unions across India strongly opposed Tata Consultancy Services' (TCS) reported use of pressure tactics to force employee resignations.

Many unions and affected employees are now awaiting TCS's second-quarter results (July-September) on October 9 to gauge the extent of job reductions over the past three months before deciding on protest actions.

'Shock' tactics

Representatives of the Union of IT and ITES Employees (UNITE) told *The Hindu* TCS was employing "shock tactics" that pressure employees into adverse actions against themselves or the company's human resources staff.

Meanwhile, the Karnataka State IT/ITeS Employees Union (KITU) stated conciliatory proceedings between TCS management and KITU are still in progress.

"TCS is resorting to shock tactics that push employees to take adverse actions against themselves or HRs. We strongly condemn this and demand the State and Union governments enforce industrial standing orders and penalise the company heavily for its violations," said Alagunambi Welkin, general secretary, UNITE.

TCS's claim it provided financial benefits for those forced to resign was a tactic to hide the accusation that it was coercing staff in unprecedented numbers to quit, Mr. Welkin added.

Karnataka's Labour Ministry, along with KITU, is expected to hold another round of conciliation meeting on October 15.

Asked about 2,500 staff being laid off at Pune, TCS said, "The misinformation shared here is inaccurate and purposefully mischievous. Only a limited number of employees have been affected by our recent initiative to realign skills in our organisation."

Coding error: Unions, staff are awaiting TCS's Q2 results to gauge the extent of the job reductions over the past three months.

U.S. Senators question TCS, 9 others over H-1B filings

Press Trust of India

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Cognizant and eight other major corporations have been questioned by U.S. Senators for filing thousands of H-1B skilled labour visa petitions after "mass layoffs" of U.S. staff.

'Current trade policy can hit growth in few economies'

Lalatendu Mishra
MUMBAI

U.S. President Donald Trump's restrictive trade policies could permanently damage growth in some economies and not all risks have been priced in yet said Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Sanjay Malhotra on Friday.

"Despite high U.S. tariff, trade restrictions and uncertainties going forward, the global economy has stayed surprisingly resilient till now. Growth has been upbeat defying projections, even though uncertainty has become a pervasive element of a contemporary discourse. Its tangible effects on real economy have thus far been muted. We have more to see as to how it unfolds," he said at an event.

However, the global economy would underperform to its true potential for some time to come on the diverging growth trajectories across economies, the central bank chief emphasised.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	81,207	0.28
US Dollar	88.79	-----
Gold	1,20,600	-----
Brent oil	64.67	-----

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	2589.90	-2.80
Adani Ports	1419.10	-3.60
Apollo Hosp	7449.50	8.50
Asian Paints	2357.80	22.00
Axis Bank	1181.00	21.50
Bajaj Auto	8679.50	53.00
Bajaj Finserv	2000.90	-6.10
Bajaj Finance	989.75	2.05
Bharat Elec	412.65	6.15
Bharti Airtel	1896.70	29.10
Cipla	1517.70	4.70
Coal India	383.35	-5.15
Dr Reddys Lab	1248.10	3.40
Eicher Motors	6941.00	-80.50
Eternal Ltd.	328.45	-0.55
Grasim Ind	2791.40	1.70
HCL Tech	1393.50	4.00
HDFC Bank	965.15	-0.10
HDFC Life	759.20	-4.80
Hindalco	780.35	14.40
Hind Unilever	2544.90	8.70
ICICI Bank	1365.20	-6.80
IntGlobeAvi	5657.00	51.00
Infosys	1446.60	0.80
ITC	404.30	-1.30
Jio Financial Services Ltd.	301.70	1.65
JSW Steel	1161.70	15.60
Kotak Bank	2100.50	37.20
L&T	3733.10	62.80
M&M	3462.00	-1.40
Maruti Suzuki	15806.00	-159.00
Max Healthcare	1069.20	-44.00
NestleIndia	1169.90	3.50
NTPC	342.00	1.75
ONGC	243.66	0.62
PowerGrid Corp	289.70	9.05
Reliance Ind	1363.40	-5.30
SBI Life	1785.10	-16.00
State Bank	867.30	3.20
Shriram Finance Ltd.	645.80	-2.90
Sun Pharma	1631.20	-5.00
TataConsumerProduct	1137.50	-7.30
Tata Motors	716.10	-2.25
Tata Steel	173.21	5.70
TCS	2901.90	-12.30
Tech Mahindra	1400.60	-15.40
Titan	3453.30	45.00
Trent Ltd.	4815.70	-16.30
UltraTech Cement	12019.00	-76.00
Wipro	240.98	-0.09

BSNL's extended 4G rollout the result of sovereignty, profit view

Aroon Deep
NEW DELHI

Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) announced last week that over 78,000 4G sites were now online. The rollout has followed in step with BSNL's history of delays – starting from the 3G era – in moving up the telecom technology ladder. But the state-owned telco has reaped at least one tangible benefit of this exercise: exercising Indian industry's muscle in the capabilities needed to roll out radio access and core network equipment without foreign gear.

The firm is hoping to eventually make profit from its 4G network.

SBI case: Anil Ambani plea dismissed by HC

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

The Bombay High Court dismissed industrialist Anil Ambani's petition challenging the State Bank of India's (SBI) decision to classify his and Reliance Communications' loan accounts as fraud.

A Division Bench ruled the plea lacked merit. SBI classified the accounts as fraudulent citing 'misappropriation of funds'.

Govt. extends textile PLI date

The government has extended the last date for filing fresh applications under the production-linked incentive scheme for textiles sector till December 31 due to the receipt of a large number of applications.

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E-Procurement Notice (Item Rate Contract), following Two Envelope Bidding Process
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

03.10.2025

1. The Government of Kerala (GoK), under the Program for Results (PforR) supported by the World Bank, is implementing activities under Disbursement Linked Indicator 9 (DLI9) - "Core Road Network (CRN) is rehabilitated and/or maintained to meet resilient service standards in the Pamba Basin." As part of this initiative, the GoK intends to undertake data collection for approximately 6,000 km of Core Road Network within the PWD Core Road Network.

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4. The bid documents can be viewed/downloaded from the e-procurement portal of Kerala Government **https://etenders.kerala.gov.in** from **30.09.2025 to 13.10.2025 upto 15.00 Hrs. IST**. Bids received online shall be opened on **15.10.2025 at 15.30 Hrs. IST.**

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Applications of suitable officers, who can be relieved in the event of their selection, may be forwarded through proper channel in the prescribed proforma to The Secretary, The Marine Products Export Development Authority, MPEDA House, Panampilly Nagar, Kochi, Kerala - 682036 within thirty days from the date of its publication in Employment News. Qualifications, experience and other details are given in the notification published in MPEDA website. You may please visit our website **www.mpeda.gov.in** (Notification Opportunities - Opening List) for more details/information.

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MANCHESTER

U.K. police say it 'may' have shot a victim killed in synagogue attack

REUTERS

The U.K. police said on Friday they may have shot two victims, including one who died, as officers responded to an attack on worshippers at a Manchester synagogue marking a Jewish holiday. Two men were killed and three persons were seriously wounded, heightening fears for Jewish communities across Britain. AFP

ISLAMABAD

Pakistan-Saudi pact has potential to be like NATO alliance, says Dar

AFP

Pakistan's Deputy Prime Minister Ishaq Dar on Friday claimed that many countries have shown interest in entering a defence pact with Islamabad and suggested that if more nations join the Saudi-Pakistan mutual defence agreement, then "this will become a NATO-like alliance." PTI

LONDON

Russia is regularly targeting U.K. satellites: space command chief

REUTERS

Russia is attempting to jam British military satellites on a regular basis, the head of U.K. Space Command has said, amid growing tensions between Moscow and Europe. "They have got payloads on board that can see our satellites and are trying to collect information from them," Major General Paul Tedman said. AFP

MOSCOW

Taliban Foreign Minister Muttaqi to meet Lavrov next week

AFP

Taliban Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi will visit Moscow next week to attend a meeting on Afghanistan reconciliation and regional cooperation, the Russian Foreign Ministry said. Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said that Muttaqi will also hold bilateral talks with his Russian counterpart Sergei Lavrov. PTI

Trump sets Sunday night deadline for Hamas to accept Gaza peace plan

The U.S. President's ultimatum comes after a Hamas official said earlier on Friday that the group still needed time to study the proposal; UN says there are no safe places in Gaza and that Israel-designated zones in the south were 'places of death'

Agence France-Presse
WASHINGTON

U.S. President Donald Trump has given Hamas until 2200 GMT (3:30 a.m. IST) on Sunday to accept his 20-point plan for peace in Gaza, warning the Palestinian militant group faced "all hell" if it did not agree to the terms.

The U.S. leader set the deadline – which would fall at 1:00 a.m. Monday in Gaza – after an official for the Islamist movement said earlier on Friday that the group still needed time to study the proposal to end nearly two years of devastating war in the Palestinian territory.

Long walk: A child walks at a camp for displaced Palestinians in Khan Younis in the southern Gaza Strip on Thursday. AFP

"If this LAST CHANCE agreement is not reached, all HELL, like no one has ever seen before, will break out against Hamas," Mr. Trump posted on his Truth Social platform.

The proposal, backed by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, calls for a ceasefire, the release of hostages within 72 hours, Hamas's disarmament and a gradual Israeli withdrawal from Gaza.

That would be followed by a post-war transitional authority headed by Mr. Trump himself.

"Hamas is still continuing consultations regarding Trump's plan... and has informed mediators that the consultations are ongoing and need some time," the official said.

On the ground on Friday, Gaza's civil defence agency – a rescue force operating under Hamas authority – reported heavy air bombardment and artillery shelling on Gaza City.

It said Israeli strikes killed at least 11 people across the territory, including eight in Gaza City.

The UN on Friday reiterated there was no safe place in Gaza and that Israel-designated zones in the south were "places of death". "The notion of a safe zone in the south is farcical," UNICEF spokesman James Elder said from the Gaza Strip.

Amnesty International condemned a "catastrophic wave of mass displacement" as Israel intensified its Gaza City offensive.

Russia launches largest ever attack on Ukraine gas sites

Agence France-Presse
KYIV

Russia overnight carried out its largest attack on Ukraine's gas network since Moscow first invaded in 2022, Kyiv's state-owned gas operator said on Friday.

Moscow's military has targeted Ukraine's power grid relentlessly in waves of overnight attacks that have at times plunged millions into darkness and cut off heating supplies as temperatures plunged below freezing.

"The enemy carried out the largest mass attack on gas production infrastructure since the beginning of the war," Ukraine's state-run gas company Naftogaz said. "As a result of this attack, a significant portion of our facilities have been damaged. Some of the damage is critical," said Naftogaz chairman Sergiy Koretsky.

Buildings in Chernihiv as they were affected by a power blackout after civil infrastructure was hit by Russian military attacks. REUTERS

Around 35 missiles and 60 drones were fired at its facilities in the northeastern Kharkiv region and central Poltava region, it added.

"Some were successfully shot down. Unfortunately, not all," it said.

There were power cuts in several regions, Ukraine's energy ministry said, but did not provide further details.

Russia's military said it had attacked Ukraine's "military-industrial" complex in combined missile and drone strikes.

Massive power outages in Ukraine are less common now than during the winter of 2022-2023, when Russian attacks triggered widespread electricity cuts across the country.

Amid tensions with Russia, Poland to join NATO fuel network

Agence France-Presse
WARSAW

A quarter of a century after it joined NATO and amid rising tension on its eastern frontier, Poland will finally join the alliance's fuel pipeline network.

The Western allies operate a 10,000-km network of European pipelines, bringing fuel and lubricants for tanks and aircraft to where troops might need them in time of war.

But the system was set up during the Cold War, when Poland was still a member of the opposing Warsaw Pact, and NATO's pipelines still do not reach its bases closer to the borders with Russia and Belarus.

Poland has been considering joining the NATO Pipeline System (NPS) for many years, and on Friday, the Defence Ministry and national pipeline operator PERN unveiled a €4.7-billion-euro to do so.

Warsaw to build a 300-km pipeline from Germany to its military base in Bydgoszcz

"This is one of the largest investments in the security of the Polish state in the last 30 years," Deputy Defence Minister Cezary Tomczyk told reporters at the signing ceremony.

Warsaw, plans to build a 300-km pipeline from Germany to its military base in Bydgoszcz, in north-central Poland and home to NATO's "joint force training centre" and several support units.

Pak. government team holds talks with PoK protest leaders

Press Trust of India
ISLAMABAD

A high-level government delegation on Friday held the second round of talks with the protest leaders in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) in an effort to convince them to end the demonstrations that have claimed at least nine lives and injured hundreds.

Violence broke out in the region following the call for a strike on September 29, forcing Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to send a Group of Ministers and other leaders to Muzaffarabad to find a negotiated solution to their grievances.

At least six civilians and three police personnel have been killed during the ongoing demonstrations in the region. Nearly 172 police personnel and around 50 civilians sustained injuries during the demonstrations.

The delegation led by former premier Raja Pervaiz Ashraf held the first round of talks with the representatives of the Jammu Kashmir Joint Awami Action Committee (JKJAAC), representing traders, local leaders and civil society activists.

Mullally appointed first woman to lead the Church of England

Agence France-Presse
LONDON

A 63-year-old former nurse, Sarah Mullally, was named as the first female Archbishop of Canterbury on Friday, pledging to improve safety at the Church of England following an abuse scandal that ousted her predecessor.

The former midwife becomes the first woman to lead the centuries-old mother church of the world's 85-million strong Anglican community.

Her nomination by a committee tasked with finding a successor to Justin Welby, who stepped down earlier this year, was approved by King Charles III, the U.K. government said.

Sarah Mullally

Ms. Mullally acknowledged the "huge responsibility" of her new role and vowed to "confront the dynamics of power" that had led the church to cover up the abuse of dozens of boys and young men several decades ago.

She cautioned that it would "not be easy", due to a "history of safeguarding failures" that has "left a legacy of deep harm and mistrust" in the Church of England. "We must all be willing to have light shone on our actions, regardless of our role in the church," she said during an appearance at Canterbury Cathedral in southeast England.

The Church of England became the country's state establishment church following King Henry VIII's split from the Roman Catholic Church in the 1530s.

Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
6th, 7th & 8th Floor, Tower-B, World Trade Centre,
Nauroji Nagar, New Delhi-110029

Petition No. 688/TL/2025 **Dated: 29.9.2025**

NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE (a) OF SUB-SECTION (5) OF SECTION 15 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003

An application under Section 14 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (the Act) has been made by **POWERGRID Bhuj Transmission Limited**, B-9, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi 110016 for the grant of a separate RTM transmission licence to POWERGRID Bhuj Transmission Limited to implement the transmission project *"Augmentation of transformation capacity at Bhuj-II PS (GIS)" & Provision of ICT Augmentation and Bus Reactor at Bhuj-II PS"* under the Regulated Tariff Mechanism (hereinafter referred to as "RTM") mode (hereinafter referred to as the "transmission project"). The scope of the project for which a transmission licence has been sought is as under:

Augmentation of Transformation capacity at Bhuj-II PS (GIS):

S. No.	Scope of the Transmission Scheme	Item Description	Implementation timeframe
1	i) Creation of New 220 kV Bus Section-II at Bhuj-II PS	Bhuj-II PS 220 kV Bus sectionaliser bay-1 Set (to be kept normally CLOSED and may be opened based on system requirement) 220 kV BC-1 No.	21 months
	ii) Augmentation of transformation capacity at Bhuj II PS (GIS) by 2x500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICT (5th & 6th) and by 1x1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICT (3rd)	500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICTs: 2 Nos. 1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICTs: 1 No. 765 kV ICT bay: 2 No. [1 No. for ICT & 1 No. for Dia. completion (with provision of Switchable LR)] 400 kV ICT bays: 4 Nos. [3 Nos. for ICT termination and 1 No. for Dia. completion (with provision of Switchable LR)] 220 kV ICT bays: 2 Nos. GIB Duct length for 1x1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICT: 1 Ph. 765 kV GIB Duct -600 m (approx.) 1 Ph. 400 kV GIB Duct – 625 m. (approx.) GIB Duct length for 2x500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICTs: 1 Ph. 400 kV GIB- 300 m (approx.) 1 Ph. 220 kV GIB- 750 m (approx.)	
	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bay at Bhuj-II PS for ABREL (RJ) Projects Limited	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) **GIB Duct length:** 1 Ph. 220 kV GIB-150 m (approx.)	
2	**Total Estimated Cost:**		**Rs. 428 crores**

Note: • Wherever required, Petitioner (PBTL) shall implement complete Dia consisting of 2 Main Bays & 1 Tie Bay required for completion of diameter (GIS) in one-and-half breaker scheme.
• GIB Bus Duct lengths are as communicated Petitioner (PBTL) of Bhuj-II PS.
• The Petitioner (PBTL) PBTL of Bhuj-II PS shall provide space for execution of above works."

Provision of ICT Augmentation and Bus Reactor at Bhuj-II PS:

S. No.	Scope of the Transmission Scheme	Item Description	Implementation timeframe
1	Augmentation of transformation capacity at Bhuj-II PS (GIS) by 3x500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICT (7th, 8th & 9th).	500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICTs: 3 No. 400 kV ICT bays: 3 No. (with addl. 3 Nos. for dia completion) 220 kV ICT bays: 3 No	21 months
2	Augmentation of transformation capacity at Bhuj-II PS (GIS) by 1x1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICT (4th)	1500 MVA, 765/400 kV ICT: 1 No. 765 kV ICT bay: 1 No. (with addl. 1 No. for dia completion) 400 kV ICT bay: Nil. (1 No. considered at Sl. No.1 above)	
3	Installation of 1x330 MVAr 765 kV Bus Reactor (2nd) along-with associated bay	Reactor (2nd) along with associated bay 330 MVAr, 765 kV Bus Reactor: 1 No. 765 kV BR bay: Nil (1 No. considered at Sl. No.2 above)	
4	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bay at Bhuj-II PS for Aditya Birla Renewables Subsidiary Limited (ABRSL)	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	21 months
5	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bay at Bhuj-II PS for ACME Cleantech Solutions Private Limited (ACSPL)	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	
6	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bay at Bhuj-II PS for ACME Cleantech Solutions Private Limited (ACSPL)	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	
7	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bay at Bhuj-II PS for Avaada Energy Pvt Ltd	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	
8	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bays at Bhuj-II PS for Adani Green Energy Thirty-Two Ltd. (AGE32L)	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	21 months
9	Implementation of 220 kV GIS line bays at Bhuj-II PS for Adani Renewable Energy Eight Ltd. (ARE8L)	220 kV line bay-1 No. (GIS) (Bus Sec-II)	
10	**Total estimated cost**		**Rs. 587 crore**

2. The Central Transmission Utility of India Limited, vide its letter dated 20.6.2025, has recommended for the grant of a transmission licence to the applicant to establish the proposed transmission system.
3. Based on the material available on the record, the Commission vide order dated 27.9.2025 in Petition No. 688/TL/2025, has proposed to issue a transmission licence to the applicant for establishment of the transmission scheme as noted in para 1 above.
4. A copy of the application, along with its annexures and enclosures, made by the applicant for the grant of an inter-State transmission licence to **POWERGRID Bhuj Transmission Limited** before the Commission can be accessed at the www.powergrid.in/subsidiaries or inspected by any person in the Commission's office by following the laid down procedure.
5. Notice is hereby given in pursuance of clause (a) of sub-section (5) of Section 15 of the Act that suggestions or objections, if any, to the Commission's proposal to grant a transmission licence to the applicant, as aforesaid, be sent to the undersigned by **14.10.2025** at the above noted address. The suggestions or objections received after the specified date shall not be considered.
6. The application shall be taken up for the further hearing by the Commission on **16.10.2025**. Any person who files suggestions or objections may in his/her discretion attend the hearing, for which no TA/DA shall be paid by the Commission.

Sd/-
(Harpreet Singh Pruthi)
Secretary

FULL OF BEANS

Enjoying my batting, says Rahul coming back fresh from break

VIJAY SONEJI

K.L. Rahul's century against West Indies in the first Test was his third in the last six Tests, with the previous two coming at Headingley and Lord's. "Really enjoying my batting," he said after the second day. "England was fun. Getting runs there gives you a lot of confidence. [Also] feeling fresher after a longish break."

SELF-ANALYSIS

Should become better in execution and stick to our plans: Rampaul

VIJAY SONEJI

West Indies bowling coach Ravi Rampaul said his bowlers could have been a bit more disciplined. "It was a tough day. Going forward, we can be better in our execution, even though there is nothing much here for bowlers. It could have [actually] been worse under the conditions. Sticking to our plans a bit better will help."

LOOKING AHEAD

Wolvaardt confident SA can turn things around in upcoming games

RITU RAJ KONWAR

South African captain Laura Wolvaardt is comforted by the thought that there were plenty of matches still left in the league phase after the crushing defeat to England in the first match. "We have six other games and a lot of time for us," she said. "We knew spin could play a big role in this World Cup, and England bowled well today."

LIVING IN THE MOMENT

We are not going to get carried away by this easy win: Smith

RITU RAJ KONWAR

Left-arm spinner Linsey Smith, who starred in England's easy win against South Africa, said the team was not going to get too carried away or look too far ahead. "I think the next game against Bangladesh is another tough challenge and something that we will reflect on and plan towards over the next few days," she said.

Rahul, Jurel and Jadeja's tons push West Indies into a corner

The opener's 100, the wicketkeeper's 125, and the all-rounder's unbeaten 104 put India in complete control at 448 for five; the visitors, 286 runs in the red at stumps on day two, will have to play out of their skins to make a comeback in the Test

WI IN INDIA

N. Sudarshan
AHMEDABAD

Awesome and ruthless: Jurel and Jadeja's 206-run partnership drove home India's advantage. VIJAY SONEJI

For the West Indies, Friday represented death by a thousand cuts. The proceedings were very much in line with the state of terminal decline Caribbean Test cricket finds itself in as K.L. Rahul (100, 197b, 12x4), Dhruv Jurel (125, 210b, 15x4, 3x6), and Ravindra Jadeja (104 batting, 176b, 6x4, 5x6) ground the visitors down to an unrecognisable heap of dust.

At close on day two of the opening Test at the Narendra Modi Stadium, India was 448 for five, a massive 286 runs in the green. The only quibble one can have is that Jurel's maiden Test century, Rahul's second at home – after the 199 versus England in Chennai in 2016 – and Jadeja's sixth in Test whites deserved a bigger audience than the few 100 spectators who had assembled in a stadium that can seat a lakh and more.

Rahul, who started from an overnight 53, was the first to reach the three-figure mark. He had two close shaves in the opening 30 minutes as an edge flew between the wicket-keeper and the first-slip, and another fell short of gully.

But the 33-year-old soon composed himself, executing a fine cut off seamer Justin Greaves for four and moving into the 90s with a swept boundary off tweaker Khary Pierre. A flicked single through mid-wicket brought him his 11th Test ton.

Rahul, however, fell in the first over after lunch as he leaned forward to drive left-arm spinner Jomel Warrican but hit straight to Greaves at short-cover.

It was the second soft dismissal of the day after skipper Shubman Gill (50, 100b, 5x4), who was caught at first-slip while trying to reverse sweep spinner and skipper Roston Chase.

But Jurel and Jadeja ensured that India wouldn't rue either setback as they came together for a 206-run partnership. Jurel smashed the first six of the Indian innings when he lofted Chase over mid-wicket to set things in motion. Jadeja took cue and soon hit Warrican for two clean strikes over long-on.

SCOREBOARD

WEST INDIES — 1ST INNINGS
162 in 44.1 overs.

INDIA — 1ST INNINGS
Yashasvi Jaiswal c Hope b Seales 36 *(54b, 7x4)*, K.L. Rahul c Greaves b Warrican 100 *(197b, 12x4)*, Sai Sudharsan lbw b Chase 7 *(19b)*, Shubman Gill c Greaves b Chase 50 *(100b, 5x4)*, Dhruv Jurel c Hope b Pierre 125 *(210b, 15x4, 3x6)*, Ravindra Jadeja (batting) 104 *(176b, 6x4, 5x6)*, Washington Sundar (batting) 9 *(13b)*; Extras (b-12, lb-3, nb-1, w-1): 17; Total (for five wkts. in 128 overs): 448.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-68 (Jaiswal, 18.2 overs), 2-90 (Sai Sudharsan, 24.5), 3-188 (Gill, 56.6), 4-218 (Rahul, 67.5), 5-424 (Jurel, 122.6).

WEST INDIES BOWLING
Seales 19-2-53-1, Layne 15-0-38-0, Greaves 12-4-59-0, Warrican 29-5-102-1, Pierre 29-1-91-1, Chase 24-3-90-2.

There would be three more from Jadeja off the same bowler, and in the same arc between deep mid-wicket and long-on, indicating the ease with which he batted all day. The fifth maximum, in fact, helped him move from 92 to 98, and the ton, Jadeja's second in four innings, came courtesy a single to point.

Jurel reached his fifty by cutting Greaves to the third-man fence; moved into the 90s by flicking Pierre for four and earned his hundred with a boundary through mid-wicket off the left-arm spinner. The 24-year-old marked the milestone with a neat little celebration featuring a gun salute dedicated to his father, a war veteran.

An edge behind to Shai Hope brought about Jurel's downfall and gave Pierre his first Test wicket, but it was not before West Indies had almost all of its life taken out.

England demolishes SA, sends out a warning signal

ODI WORLD CUP

P.K. Ajith Kumar
GUWAHATI

Jumping for joy: Smith's strikes put South Africa on the backfoot from the start. RITU RAJ KONWAR

Even before the South Africans could figure out what hit them, their innings was over. It was all over in just 20.4 overs, and all they could make was 69.

The Englishwomen chased the modest target down in 14.1 overs without losing a wicket, to open their World Cup campaign in emphatic fashion at the Baraspara Cricket Stadium here on Friday. They were making a strong statement too, and sending warning signals to Australia and India, the two strong favourites.

They had as perfect a day as they could have hoped for. Their captain Nat Sciver-Brunt won the toss, and chose to bowl. They had picked three spinners, and one of them got into the thick of action in no time.

Linsey Smith came on to bowl the second over of the innings. With her second ball, the left-armer removed South Africa's skipper Laura Wolvaardt.

The leading edge off an attempted drive was caught by Smith off her own bowling. Thus one half of the world's most successful opening partnership was back in the dressing room. The other half would follow soon.

Smith was responsible for it, too. She got the first ball of her second over to drift in through Tazmin Brits' gate and hit the leg-stump. And Brits had come to this match after scoring hundreds in each of her last three ODIs.

In the next over, Lauren Bell moved the ball in just enough to knock off Sune Luus' off-stump. The following over saw South Africa's most experienced campaigner Marizanne Kapp's defensive bat being beaten by Smith, who disturbed the middle-stump. The Proteas slid to 19 for four.

It was indeed a dream spell from Smith who had made her ODI debut just four months ago. She was well supported by the other bowlers, with Sciver-Brunt, Sophie Ecclestone and Charlie Dean claiming two wickets each.

Jafta tries hard

The only South African batter to get to double figures was wicketkeeper Sinalo Jafta who lasted as many as 36 balls for her 22.

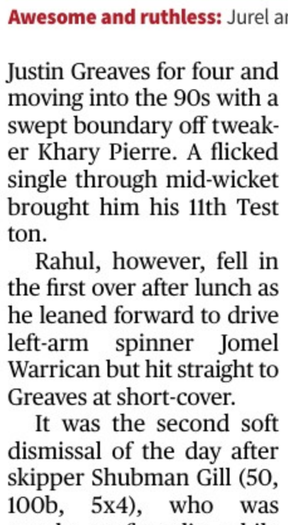
England openers Tammy Beaumont (21 not out) and Amy Jones (40 not out, 50b, 6x4) took their team home without any fuss.

And yes, a T20 match would have lasted longer.

The scores: South Africa 69 in 20.4 overs (Linsey Smith 3/7) lost to England 73/0 in 14.1 overs (Amy Jones 40 n.o.); **Toss:** England; **PoM:** Smith.

'I do a lot of visualisation, whether playing or not'

N. Sudarshan
AHMEDABAD



Jurel... a memorable maiden hundred. VIJAY SONEJI

It is tough to be Rishabh Pant's understudy. The burden of expectations when you do get a chance to play in place of the maverick wicketkeeper-batter can be immense.

But it is fair to say that Dhruv Jurel has performed this role with aplomb, and his first Test century (125, 210b, 15x4, 3x6), against the West Indies here on Friday, was the just reward.

Jurel made his debut in February 2024 when India was missing Pant because of his horrific car accident, and had tried - and then shunned - the likes of K.S. Bharat, Ishan Kishan and K.L. Rahul as wicketkeeping options.

Proving his mettle

However, in his second-ever Test in Ranchi against England, he made a back-to-the-wall 90 and earned the Player-of-the-Match award in India's five-wicket win. Then, in England this summer, Jurel made crucial runs (19 and 34) in India's famous, series-tying win at The Oval.

"I do a lot of visualisation, whether I am playing or not," Jurel said, after the second day's play in the opening Test here. "When I play a match, it doesn't feel anything new. I know I've gone through this and what the feeling is like.

"I visualise everything, from walking in [to the middle] to taking the stance.

"Nothing feels different. I am always prepared. Whether I am playing or not, I try to keep myself ready."

A privilege

The 24-year-old, who is playing his sixth Test, said it was a privilege just to be with the Indian set-up. "How many get to be with the squad and how many play Test cricket? I am very happy that I am with the squad, and if I am not playing the match, I keep working hard."

"I think you should try to control what you can control. It is not my decision to play as a batter or a wicketkeeper. My one job is to make the runs," Jurel added.

I'm not your traditional spinner, says Smith

P.K. Ajith Kumar
GUWAHATI

Smith... a day to cherish. RITU RAJ KONWAR

Linsey Smith was 30 when she made her ODI debut for England. The left-arm spinner celebrated the occasion by taking five for 36 against the West Indies at Derby.

On Friday, she made her ODI World Cup debut. It was another reason for her to celebrate. She took the new ball, struck with her second ball, and accounted for two batters who have built the most prolific opening partnership in women's cricket today.

Smith got rid of Laura Wolvaardt and Tazmin Brits in her first two overs to set the tone for the sharp English attack in the team's opening match. Her control and drift proved deadly.

Her figures read 4-2-7-3 in the South African total of 69. Shortly after England raced to a 10-wicket win, she said she was delighted to help her team win. "It means massively to me," she said. "I always want to contribute as much as I can to team wins. Obviously early days in my ODI career, which is something I've really strived towards."

Smith said she was glad to share the new ball. "I am not your most traditional spinner," she said. "I am not going to get the turn and bounce that necessarily Sophie Ecclestone gets, which is why I think we work well together."

Sri Lanka faces an uphill task against mighty Australia

Lavanya L
COLOMBO

Today's match

Colombo, 3 p.m.

HEAD-TO-HEAD ODIs
Played: 11
Australia 11 | Sri Lanka 0

IN WORLD CUPS
Played: 4
Australia 4 | Sri Lanka 0

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Since 2022, Sri Lanka and Australia have only faced each other twice, both in T20 World Cups and both resulting in heavy defeats for the former.

The pandemic and no fixtures in the Championship cycle has meant that the co-host of the ODI showpiece has no recent match references to draw from as it takes on the defending champion in a league fixture here on Saturday.

With a 100% win record in the 11 ODIs it has played against the Islanders, a rampaging Australia begins as favourite. Sri Lanka has much work to do as it bids for its first points.

An in-form Aussie batting line-up might not bother changing the combination from the opener, but the help the Pakistan and Bangladesh pacers drew from the surface at the R. Premadasa Stadium will have the girls in green and gold rubbing their hands in glee. If Australia gets to bat first, it will be interesting to see how many runs it scores on this pitch.

Sri Lanka spent a considerable amount of time ahead of the World Cup training at this venue where it will play five of its seven league games. But, familiarity will not take the side too far.

The story of the batting order of late, whether it be the 50-over World Cup or any other format, has been Chamari Athapaththu on whom an unhealthy dependence exists.

While the experienced players in the bowling arsenal like Inoka Ranaweera and Udeshika Prabodhani have walked the talk, the youngsters – particularly Vishmi Gunaratne and Harshita Samarawickrama – will hope to do well against the Aussies, the gold standard.

Chamari with Inoka. RITU RAJ KONWAR

Can't be making silly mistakes: Chamari

Lavanya L
COLOMBO

Captain Chamari Athapaththu minced no words as she laid bare the errors Sri Lanka made against India in Guwahati.

"When we are at a big game like this, we can't expect to be making such silly mistakes. It lets the team down, it lets the country down. We are all answerable. We are now playing in home conditions, so this tournament is very important for us.

"No one can take any team lightly. If we play our best game on our home soil against world champions, we can win this game," she said on Friday, ahead of Sri Lanka's Women's ODI World Cup game against Australia.

INBRIEF

Dabang Delhi cruises past UP Yoddhas, back on top

Dabang Delhi returned to the top of the table with a dominant 43-26 win against UP Yoddhas in a PKL-12 match in Chennai on Friday. Ashu Malik came up with a Super 10, while Fazel Atrachali scored four tackle points, leading a comprehensive display for their side. Atrachali narrowly missed out on his High Five, as a relentless Dabang Delhi wrapped up a supreme performance with a 16-point victory.

Torpedoes fight back to get past Guardians

Bengaluru Torpedoes rallied to defeat Goa Guardians 15-9, 11-15, 13-15, 17-15, 15-9 in the Prime Volleyball League at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium in Hyderabad on Friday. Jalen Penrose and Joel Benjamin put Torpedoes in the lead with thunderous spikes. Nathaniel Dickinson and veteran Jeffrey Menzel's cross attacks helped Guardians find their rhythm and pull level. The Goa side built on the momentum to nose ahead. However, Torpedoes fought back through Penrose in attack and M.C. Mujeeb in defence to cross the finish line.

Australia-New Zealand second T20I washed out

Australia retained the Chappell-Hadlee Trophy after rain washed out the second T20I against New Zealand on Friday, with just two overs of play possible in Mount Maunganui. The match was initially declared a nine-over contest when wet weather delayed the start time by more than two hours at Bay Oval. However, more rain arrived after Australia reached 15 for one, with captain Mitchell Marsh batting on eight. The tourists won the first match by six wickets on Wednesday, and as holders are guaranteed to retain the trophy regardless of the result of the third match on Saturday.

Liverpool's Becker ruled out until after international break

Liverpool goalkeeper Alisson Becker has been ruled out until after this month's international break after injuring his hamstring in the Champions League defeat at Galatasaray.

LIVE TELECAST

Irani Cup: Day 4, Star Sports Khel & JioHotstar, 9.30 a.m.
India vs West Indies: 1st Test, day 3, Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 9.30 a.m.
Tennis: Shanghai Masters, Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 10 a.m.
New Zealand vs Australia: 3rd T20I, Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & LIV, 11.45 a.m.
Women's ODI World Cup: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 3 p.m.
Premier League: SS Select 1 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 5, 7.30 & 10 p.m.
LaLiga: FanCode, 5.30, 7.45, 10 & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)
Formula One: Singapore GP (Qualifying), F1 TV, F1 TV Pro App & FanCode, 6.30 p.m.
Serie A: DAZN, 6.30, 9.30 p.m. & 12.15 a.m. (Sunday)
PVL: Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & LIV, 6.30 p.m.
Bundesliga: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7 & 10 p.m.
PKL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & JioHotstar, 8 p.m.

Vidarbha moves into a commanding position

The Ranji champion holds an overall lead of 224 with eight wickets in hand; RoI loses its last five wickets for 72 runs; bad light allows only one over in the final session on day three

Polishing off the tail: Yash proved too hot to handle for the RoI lower-order batters. FILE PHOTO

IRANI CUP

Amol Karhadkar
NAGPUR

Thick cloud cover ensured only a solitary over was bowled in the final session on the third day of the Irani Cup at the VCA Stadium in Jamtha on Friday.

While the Vidarbha camp stayed relaxed, the Rest of India (RoI) players were left under a gloomier shadow, both on the scoreboard and in spirit.

Bundled out for 214 in the morning, RoI conceded a hefty 128-run lead.

By stumps, Vidarbha had stretched its advantage to 224, cruising to 96 for two.

The Ranji Trophy champion is in a commanding position, leaving RoI with a gargantuan task for making a miraculous comeback.

Early setback

The day began with RoI resuming on 142 for five. Skipper Rajat Patidar would have hoped for resistance from Manav Suthar, but Aditya Thakare struck with the first ball of the day, trapping him plumb in front.

Patidar (66, 125b, 10x4) played some trademark cover drives to hold firm, yet wickets kept tumbling.

Yash Thakur's searing pace dismantled the tail – Saransh Jain lost his stumps to a peach of a yorker, while Akash Deep and Gurnoor Brar succumbed to short-pitched bowling aimed at their ribs.

Harsh scalps Patidar

Between the two short-pitched dismissals, Harsh Dubey ended Patidar's vigil with a teasing delivery that induced a miscued lofted drive to long-off.

Vidarbha's openers negotiated a tricky 45 minutes before lunch.

But soon after, first-innings centurion Atharva Taide holed out to deep midwicket to gift his wicket.

Aman Mokhade, looking assured, faltered against Brar's short ball, his miscued hook carrying to wicketkeeper Ishan Kishan.

Steadying the ship

Dhruv Shorey and Danish Malewar steadied the innings then, guiding Vidarbha to safety before bad light ended play.

The duo will be hoping to take Vidarbha to safety in its quest to earn the third Irani Cup title.

The scores:
Vidarbha 342 & 96/2 in 36 overs vs Rest of India 214 in 69.5 overs (Abhimanyu Easwaran 52, Rajat Patidar 66, Yash Thakur 4/66).

Consistent: Mirabai, who bagged her third World championships medal, brought joy to the Indian contingent. IWF

Mirabai braves thumb issue to claim silver

WEIGHTLIFTING

Y.B. Sarangi
KOLKATA

Despite a right thumb issue, a resilient Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu landed her third World championships medal as she claimed a silver in the new 48kg weight class in Forde, Norway.

The Tokyo Olympics silver medallist, who finished fourth in Paris 2024, lifted 84kg in snatch while failing twice in her attempt for 87kg. Mirabai, who had managed 111kg in Paris, registered 115kg – preceded by efforts of 109kg and 112kg – in clean and jerk to total 199kg. She was third in snatch and second in clean and jerk.

North Korean gold medallist Ri Song Gum aggregated 213kg. Thai Thanyathon Sukcharoen was third with 198kg in a field featuring two inexperienced Chinese.

Mirabai, the 2017 champion in 48kg, was delighted with her second Worlds silver, including one in 49kg in 2022.

"It was a big challenge to compete in the new weight without knowing much about the opponents. I had problems in controlling my body weight," Mirabai, who lifted 193kg in the Commonwealth championships in late August, told *The Hindu*.

"This performance has given me confidence for the Asian Games. My snatch needs some work."

Coach Vijay Sharma said Mirabai's Worlds experience would help her in the Asian Games, where she would like to open her account next year.

"It was a preparatory event for the Asian Games as top seven were from our continent. We had a target of a 200kg-plus total. The thumb issue has been troubling her for two months. Still it was good. With this clean and jerk effort, she would have won a medal in Paris," said Sharma.

"Mirabai should increase 10kg, including seven-eight kg in snatch, to ensure an Asiad medal. The thumb is not a big issue. She needs to de-load and take it easy for two months," he added.

WTA Chennai Open from October 27

Sports Bureau
CHENNAI

Linette. FILE PHOTO

The WTA Chennai Open 250 is back after a gap of three years and Poland's Magda Linette is the highest-ranked player who will be taking part in the event to be played from October 27 to November 2 at the SDAT Tennis Stadium.

The Pole, currently ranked 38th in the world, was the runner-up in 2022 to Linda Fruhvirtova of the Czech Republic, who will return to defend her title. Eight players in the top 100 of the WTA rankings will feature in the event. At 44, Tatjana Maria of Germany is the second highest-ranked player in the main draw acceptance list.

The other notable names include the 2024 Olympic silver medallist Donna Vekic of Croatia and Lulu Sun of New Zealand, who reached the Wimbledon quarterfinals last year.

A total of 23 players have been granted direct entries, with the remaining nine being split by one special exempt, four qualifiers and four wild cards. Sahaja Yamllipalli, Shrivalli Bhamidipaty and Maaya Rajeshwaran Revathi are amongst the Indians in the fray for wildcards.

Echoes Of Time obliges in Mysore 2000 Guineas

MYSURU: Mr. Sultan Singh rep. Sohna Stud Farm Pvt Ltd's Echoes Of Time (Antony up) won the Mysore 2000 Guineas (1,600m), the chief event of the races held here on Friday (Oct 3). The winner is trained by Pradeep Annaiah.

Antony confidently kept the gutsy colt in second position till the bend before manoeuvring in the home stretch. Echoes Of Time responded well to the reminders and galloped with giant strides to overtake long-time leader Money Bags near 150m to win resolutely.

THE RESULTS:

1. SRIRANGAPATTANA PLATE (DIV. II), (1,400M): GANDOLFINI (Trevor) 1, Chinky Pinky (Aleemuddin) 2, Natural One (Ankit Pal) 3 and D Roman Reigns (A.A. Vikrant) 4. Not run: Lex Luthor. 1-1/4, Lnk and 2-1/4. 1m, 25.06s. ₹16 (w), 10, 16 and 39 (p), SHP: 36, THP: 97, FP: 57, Q: 46, Trinella: 585/437, Exacta: 3,310/283. Favourite: Gandolfini. Owner: Mr. Y.S. Harsha. Trainer: K. Purshotham.

2. MANDAKALLI PLATE (1,200M): FASHIONISTA (Pavan) 1, Real Happiness (A.A. Vikrant) 2, Cool Winter (A. Baandal) 3 and Pearl Of Mysore (J. Paswan) 4. 3/4, 3/4 and Hd. 1m, 13.55s. ₹82 (w), 17, 14 and 26 (p), SHP: 41, THP: 55, FP: 650, Q: 326, Trinella: 3,066/1,898, Exacta: 20,547/5,870. Favourite: Gismo. Owner: Mr. P.M. Nanaiah. Trainer: P. Ruban.

3. SRIRANGAPATTANA PLATE (DIV. I), (1,400M): DUFY (Vivek) 1, Blue Origin (Siddaraju P) 2, Walter (N.B. Kuldeep) 3 and El Alamein (L.A. Rozario) 4. 1-1/2, Lnk and Nk. 1m, 25.12s. ₹19 (w), 11, 30 and 20 (p), SHP: 109, THP: 39, FP: 502, Q: 327, Trinella: 1,862/798, Exacta: 14,913/3,195. Favourite: Dufy. Owner: Mr. J.S. Lokesh. Trainer: Sriram Komandur.

4. JUSTICE P.MEDAPA MEMORIAL TROPHY (1,200M): KNOTTY BLUSH (Suraj) 1, Star Concept (Salman Khan) 2, Winter Agenda (N.B. Kuldeep) 3 and Metzinger (Akshay K) 4. 4-1/4, Shd and 1. 1m, 10.16s. ₹19 (w), 10, 66 and 27 (p), SHP: 206, THP: 92, FP: 642, Q: 503, Trinella: 9,622/5,498, Exacta: 26,956 (carried over). Favourite: Knotty Blush. Owners: Mr. K. Kamesh & Mr. Ashok Ranpise. Trainer: K. Purshotham.

5. MYSORE 2000 GUINEAS (1,600M): ECHOES OF TIME (PLANETAIRE-ALVARITA) ANTONY 1, Money Bags (Leitir Mor-Maleficent) Suraj 2, Mahler (Moonlight Magic-La Rondine) Trevor 3 and Sicyon (Air Support-Cocktail Circuit) Akshay K 4. 4, 3-1/4 and 3. 1m, 35.16s. ₹15 (w), 11 and 20 (p), SHP: 19, THP: 26, FP: 24, Q: 17, Trinella: 40/18, Exacta: 41/29. Favourite: Echoes Of Time. Owner: Mr. Sultan Singh rep. Sohna Stud Farm Pvt Ltd. Trainer: Pradeep Annaiah.

6. MEERUT PLATE (1,400M): AURELE (Pavan) 1, Live The Dream (Aleemuddin) 2, Connecting Dots (Antony) 3 and Baashha (S. Sachin) 4. 1/2, 3/4 and 1/2. 1m, 23.95s. ₹240 (w), 49, 12 and 11 (p), SHP: 29, THP: 49, FP: 790, Q: 267, Trinella: 2,853/951, Exacta: 25,546 (carried over). Favourite: Live The Dream. Owner: Mr. Anil Viswanatha Poduval. Trainer: Feroz M Khan.

7. PENAMBUR PLATE (1,100M): BEAUTIFUL BLOOM (Madhu Sudhan) 1, Adena (Faiz) 2, Knotty In Blue (H. Rahul) 3 and Phoenix Gold (Abhishek Mhatre) 4. 3/4, 1 and 2-1/2. 1m, 06.38s. ₹137 (w), 43, 20 and 13 (p), SHP: 49, THP: 48, FP: 3,661, Q: 1,346, Trinella: 4,655/2,280, Exacta: 4,062/1,740. Favourite: Tower Quest. Owner: Mrs. Shirley M Bobby. Trainer: M. Bobby.

Jackpot: ₹1,69,706 (two tkts.); Runner-up: 3,095 (47 tkts.); Mini Jackpot: 1,986 (carried over); Treble (i): 1,149 (three tkts.); (ii): 1,284 (carried over).

Rewarding excellence: The chairman and senior steward of Mysore Race Club, G. Venkatesh, second from left, presenting the Mysore 2000 Guineas trophy to K. Pradeep Annaiah and jockey Antony in the presence of MRC officials. M.A. SRIRAM

Sarthak sizzles, bags the pole position

Sports Bureau
CHENNAI

Sarthak Chavan, the 18-year-old Petronas TVS Racing team's spearhead, snatched the pole position by topping the qualifying session in the premier Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open category in the fourth round of the MRF MMSC FMSCI National motorcycle racing championships at the Madras International Circuit here on Friday.

Sarthak.

The results: Qualifying: National Championship: Pro-Stock 301-400cc Open: 1. Sarthak Chavan (Pune, Petronas TVS Racing) (1min, 48.047secs).
Super Stock Intermediate 165cc: 1. Kamal Navas (Chennai, Rockers Racing) (2:05.168).
Stock 301-400cc (Novice): 1. Jagadeesh Nagaraj (Bengaluru, Motul Sparks Racing) (1:58.562).
Stock 165cc (Novice): 1. Rajender Beedani (Hyderabad, MAI Racing) (2:07.108)
Petronas TVS One-Make Championship: Expert (Apache RR 310): 1. Ajay Xavier (Nagercoil) (1:55.764).
Women (Apache RTR 200): 1. Elakiya Ravi (Chennai) (2:11.813).
Idemitsu Honda India Talent Cup (CB 300F): 1. R. Solomon (Chennai) (2:05.081).

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Bahi and Kuruniyan sign for Bengaluru FC

Bengaluru FC announced the signings of Moroccan defender Salaheddine Bahi until the end of the 2025-26 season and former player Ashique Kuruniyan on a long-term deal.

Centre-back Bahi, 31, was plying his trade in the Moroccan top division and last played for Hassania d'Agadir, which finished 13th in the 16-team league. Kuruniyan, 28, played for BFC for three seasons from 2019 to 2022 before moving to Mohun Bagan Super Giant.

BFC will begin its 2025-26 campaign with the AIFF Super Cup clash against Mohammedan SC on October 30.

Bahi and Kuruniyan. X@BENGALURUFC

Kipgen performs a hat-trick for MEG & Centre

Hengoulal Kipgen scored a hat-trick as MEG & Centre thrashed MFAR Students Union FC 5-0 in the KSFA Super Division League on Friday.

The results: MEG & Centre FC 5 (Hengoulal Kipgen 2, 27, 48, T.P. Aswanth 79, Gurnoor Singh 90) bt MFAR Students Union FC 0; Kodagu FC 4 (M. Muhammed Unais 22, 36, B.S. Mrinal Muthanna 45, 65) bt Bangalore Dream United FC 1 (K. Lalrinfela 70); BFC 3 (Yaipharemba Chingakhanm 23, Ningthoi Khongjam Rishi Singh 52, K.P. Shamnad 90+3) bt Sporting Club Bengaluru 1 (Mohd. Safwaan 90+1).

Aaryan stars for School of India

Aaryan Nagesh's all-round effort (seven for 67 and 45) helped School of India secure the first-innings lead in the drawn quarterfinal encounter against The Sports School in the K.M. Ramprasad Shield U-16 first division tournament.

The scores: Holy Saint Eng. School 249 in 77.1 overs (Amogh Hegde 80, Arnav N. Manchale 68) & 74/0 in 8.5 overs (Brahmanya Theertha R. Kuber 50 n.o.) bt DPS, North 119 in 46 overs (Swayam Shabadi 4/45, J.S. Krishna Sreekar 4/13) & 200 in 32.3 overs (Hruthik Kumar 53).

Muller HS 132 in 46.3 overs (Nitish Arya 77, Prathyush G. Shetty 5/35) drew with DPS, South 76 in 32.1 overs (Narasimha 6/25).

The Sports School 126 in 51.4 overs (Aaryan Nagesh 7/67) & 257/8 decl. in 36.3 overs (Sparsh 64, Vikram 94) drew with School of India 270 in 70.2 overs (A. Mohmmed Raheel 92, Shaurya Tandon 43, Aaryan Nagesh 45) & 99/4 in 19 overs (Niranjan Ashok 44).

Poorna Vikasa Vidyalaya 151 in 50 overs drew with Jain Heritage School 57/2 in 33 overs.

Keerthivassan to play Manish for the title

NATIONAL TENNIS

Kamesh Srinivasan
NEW DELHI

Qualifier Keerthivassan Suresh overcame a stiff resistance from Madhwin Kamath before winning 7-6(3), 3-6, 6-4 in the men's semifinals of the Fenesta National tennis championship at the DLTA Complex on Friday.

Keerthivassan will run into former champion Manish Sureshkumar, who recovered after losing the first set quickly and outplayed Ishaque Eqbal.

The results: Men (semifinals): Manish Sureshkumar bt Ishaque Eqbal 1-6, 6-1, 6-1; Keerthivassan Suresh bt Madhwin Kamath 7-6(3), 3-6, 6-4.
Women (semifinals): Vaishnavi Adkar bt Soha Sadiq 6-1, 6-0; Akanksha Nitture bt Jennifer Luikham 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.
Doubles (final): Akanksha Nitture & Soha Sadiq bt Pooja Ingale & Yubrani Banerjee 6-2, 6-2.
Under-18 boys (semifinals): Hruthik Katakam 7-6(7), 0-6, 6-1; Tavish Pahwa bt Gandharv Gourav 6-2, 6-2.
Doubles (final): Vraj Gohil & Prakaash Sarran bt Karan Thapa & Channa Mallikarjuna Yale 2-6, 7-5, [10-5].
Under-18 girls (semifinals): Snigdha Kanta bt Shreeniti Chowdhury 7-6(0), 6-0; Harshini Nagaraj bt Parthsarthi Mundhe 6-3, 6-3; **Doubles (final):** Savitha Bhuvaneswaran & Aahan bt Akanksha Ghosh & V. Deepshika 6-3, 6-3.

Nishad, Simran make it a golden day for India

The former breaks the jinx by winning the high jump T47 while the latter retains her 100m T12 title with a new personal best of 11.95 seconds; Preethi, Pradeep bag bronze

PARA ATHLETICS

Uthra Ganesan
NEW DELHI

Sealing it with panache: Nishad triumphed with an Asian record of 2.14m while Simran went under the 12-second mark for the first time in her career. SHASHI SHEKHAR KASHYAP

Nishad Kumar broke the jinx, winning his maiden world title after a series of second-placed finishes in style with a new Asian record of 2.14m, on a productive day seven of the World Para Athletics Championships here on Friday. On the track, Simran Sharma retained her title in the 100m T12 with a new personal best (PB) of 11.95 seconds.

On a day stray dog attacks on athletes and officials took the spotlight, Nishad, runner-up in the high jump T47 at the Tokyo and Paris Paralympics and the last two World championships in 2023 and 2024, looked assured every time he took off and had little trouble clearing all the pre-set marks in his first attempt itself. Once the gold was assured, he aimed for the world record but faltered at 2.18m.

In the process, he finally got the better of three-time world and paralympic champion Roderick Townsend of USA, who started at 2.03m but that was the only mark he cleared here to finish third behind Turkey's Abdullah Ilgaz.

Simran, meanwhile, had little competition improving on her PB, going under the 12-second mark for the first time ever. Running with a new guide in Umar Saifi in their first international competition together, Simran became India's sixth gold and 15th medallist in the ongoing competition.

Preethi Pal, however, could only manage a season's best of 30.03s for a second world bronze in the 200m T35 while Pardeep Kumar finished third in the discus throw F64. Swiss Catherine Debrunner completed her quintet of world titles in the 400m T53, winning her fifth gold in as many events here.

The results: Men: 100m T11: Athanasios Ghavelas with guide Dimitrios Chrysafis (Gre, 10.96s); **100m T36:** Kirill Glazyrin (NPA, 11.73s); **100m T54:** Athiwat Paeng-Nuea (Tha, 13.66s); **400m T12:** Fakhriddin Khamraev (Uzb, 50.11s); **400 T13:** Max Marzillier (Ger, 49s); **800 T53:** Pongsakorn Paeyo (Tha, 1:35.76); **Long Jump T37:** Brian Impellizzeri (Arg, 6.63m); **Long Jump T64:** Markus Rehm (Ger, 8.43m); **High Jump T47:** Nishad Kumar (2.14m), Ram Pal (5th, 1.94m).

Discus Throw F11: Hassan Bajoulvand (Iri, 41.70m), Monu Ghangas (9th, 32.65m); **Discus Throw F44:** Andres Neira (Col, 60.26m), Sagar Thayat (4th, 51.93m), Devender Kumar (6th, 50.12m), Pardeep (8th, 46.14m); **Discus Throw F64:** Ivan Katanusic (Cro, 55.12m), Pardeep Kumar (3rd, 46.23m), Sharvan Kumar (5th, 44.11m); **Shot Put F35:** Seyed Javanmardi (Iri, 17.17m); **Shot Put F46:** Greg Stewart (Can, 16.68m), Sachin Khilari (4th, 15.03m), Mohd. Yasser (6th, 14.73m), Parveen (8th, 14.24m).

Women: 100m T12: Simran Sharma with guide Umar Saifi (11.95s); **200m T35:** Qianqian Guo (Chn, 29.50s), Preeti Pal (3rd, 30.03s) SB; **200m T36:** Danielle Aitchison (Nzl, 27.18s).

400m T53: Catherine Debrunner (Sui, 50.58s); **400m T54:** Lea Bayekula (Bel, 50.99s); **Long Jump T64:** Fleur Jong (Ned, 6.81m); **Shot Put F33:** Svetlana Krivenok (NPA, 8.14m) new CR.

Shot Put F44: Arelle Middleton (USA, 12.95m); **Shot Put F64:** Faustyna Kotlowska (Pol, 10,88m), Dayawanti (6th, 7.90m) PB; **Discus Throw F41:** Raoua Tlili (Tun, 33.81m).

Chiefs notch up second win in a row

ARCHERY

Sports Bureau
NEW DELHI

American Brady Ellison, the No. 1 men's recurve archer in the world, was in top form as Chola Chiefs registered its second consecutive win in the Archery Premier League at the Yamuna Sports Complex here on Friday. Chiefs defeated Prithviraj Yodhas 6-2.

In a match that didn't see Deepika Kumari quite at her best for Chiefs, recurve archer Gatha Khadake of Yodhas was timed out twice in the first and fourth sets. As a result, she couldn't complete her last shot.

For Yodhas, compound archer Abhishek Verma stepped up, but he didn't get consistent support from Gatha and Matias Grande. Chiefs won the first set 72-64, but the Yodhas came back to win the second 74-73. But the Chiefs managed to seal the match in their favour.

Later, Chero Archers defeated Kakatiya Knights 5-1 while Rajputana Royals beat Mighty Marathas 6-2.

Onslaught: Opener Harvey smashed 10 fours and two sixes in his 49-ball unbeaten 70. FILE PHOTO

Harvey, Connolly on fire as Australia-A draws level in style

Abhishek Saini
KANPUR

A top-order onslaught on either side of a three-hour rain break secured Australia-A a nine-wicket win over India-A in the second one-dayer at the Green Park Stadium on Friday.

Jake Fraser-McGurk (36, 20b, 7x4, 1x6) and Mackenzie Harvey (70 n.o., 49b, 10x4, 2x6) walloped to a rapid start, with the former slapping Arshdeep Singh through covers for three consecutive boundaries in the third over.

The pair added 48 runs inside six overs, and the visiting side side needed only 112 more when the game was reduced to 25 overs post the break. Cooper Connolly took the tweakers apart with his unbeaten 31-ball 50 (5x4, 3x6) as Australia-A crossed the line in the 17th over to level the three-match series.

A lopsided contest was not on the cards at the mid-innings break after Tilak Varma's spirited 94 (122b, 5x4, 4x6) had got India-A to 246.

Tilak added to his credentials as a dependable middle-order batter by steering his side through a top-order collapse.

The brewing anticipation around Abhishek Sharma's inclusion met an anticlimactic end when he chased a wide delivery and edged to first slip for a golden duck. Shreyas Iyer was nabbed by a nip-backer from Jack Edwards, leaving India-A reeling at 17 for three.

But, Tilak and Riyan Parag brought up a century alliance to navigate through the early jitters.

Tilak relished the task at hand, plotting together India-A's recovery in singles.

Tilak held his end even as his side lost three wickets in the space of 18 runs.

The tail did not make Tilak's work easier, preferring the fleeting thrill of slogging across the line over providing steady support. Tilak farmed the strike at the death, but was caught at long off, looking for a big hit in the 46th over.

The scores: India-A 246 in 45.5 overs (Tilak Varma 94, Riyan Parag 58, Jack Edwards 4/56) lost to Australia-A 160/1 in 16.4 overs (Mackenzie Harvey 70 n.o., Cooper Connolly 50 n.o.) by DLS method. Target revised to 160 in 25 overs.

Toss: India-A; **PoM:** Harvey.

Seniors encourage Indian team ahead of World junior championship

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H.S. Prannoy called it a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Lakshya Sen urged players to leverage home conditions, and Ashwini Ponnappa asked the squad to trust their training, as they encouraged the 25-member Indian team ahead of the World Junior Championships.

The BWF World Junior Championships 2025 will be held in Guwahati from October 6 to 19 - 17 years after India last hosted the prestigious event in Pune in 2008.

"It's an opportunity for the juniors to play against the best in the world and take this as is a stepping stone. From here you know what to expect in the next couple of years, because next you're entering the senior level," Prannoy said.

Most members of the Indian squad are training at the National Centre of Excellence (NCE), and Lakshya stressed the importance of focus and discipline.

"It's a great event to take advantage of the home support and conditions," said the 24-year-old from Almora, who has bagged bronze medals both in the junior and senior world championships.

Women's doubles star Ponnappa urged the players to enjoy themselves, trust their preparations, and to give their best.

The Indian team is aiming for a podium finish in the mixed team event for the first time as they are seeded second, with strong hopes for the paired events in the individual championships.

APPOINTMENT

Advertisement. No. 85/2025
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Public Enterprises Selection Board
invites applications for the post of
Chairman & Managing Director in Hindustan Shipyard Ltd
Last date of submission of application by applicants is by 1500 hours on **23rd October, 2025**
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For details login to website **http://pesb.gov.in**

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BALLARI MEDICAL COLLEGE AND RESEARCH CENTRE, BALLARI.
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No:BMCRC/SUP/TENDER/Desktop/15/2025-26/332 Date:29.09.2025
e-TENDER NOTIFICATION
Tenders is invited from the eligible bidders for Supply of All-in-One Desktops and Printers to BMCRC,Ballari under Two bid system through e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** of Government of Karnataka as per the KTPP Act-1999-2000. The interested bidders are request to submit the proposal in prescribed format in above said e-portal on or before **13.10.2025up to 5.00 PM.**The total approximate cost of tender is **Rs.1,99,54,000.00.** Further details may be obtained in the above said website and **www.vims.karnataka.gov.in.**
Sd/- Dean & Director, BMCRC, Ballari
DIPR/Ballari/492/KSMCA/2025-26

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521
No: CEE/Tr(O)Z/EE(C)-3/AEE(C)-2/2025-26/6044-50 Dated: 29-09-2025
BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)
Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites tenders for the following works through KPP portal.
Name of works: (1) Extension of CRB at 220kV station, KIADB, Doddaballapura (Call-2). Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 20,00,000.00** Category: **Others/ General. (2)** Providing RCC road inside the sub-station with road crossing cable duct at 66/11kV sub-station, Bagepalli (Call-2). Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 18,00,000.00** Category: **Others/ General. (3)** Replacing of 40mm existing jelly by 25/20mm jelly and providing jelly barricading, repairs to switchgear shelter and other allied works at 66/11kV sub-station, Pillaguppa. Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 16,10,000.00** Category: **CAT -I. (4)** Construction of periphery compound wall (towards burial grounds) at 66/11 kV sub-station, Nallimaradahalli (Call-2). Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 10,50,000.00** Category: **Others/ General. (5)** Extension of control room building at 66/11kV sub-station, Pillaguppa. Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 18,00,000.00** Category: **Others/ General. (6)** Providing RCC approach Road and other allied works at 66/11kV S/s, Thayalur. Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 20,00,000.00** Category: **Schedule Caste only. (7)** Improvements and Construction of control cable duct at 66/11kV sub-station Bangarpete (Call-2). Approx. Amount (with GST) : **Rs. 12,26,000.00** Category: **Others/ General.**
The tender for the above work is invited through electronic mode. The detailed notification regarding above said enquiry in the E tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **'E Procurement KPTCL'** or to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after 04.10.2025.** Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.
Sd/- Chief Engineer (Elec.,)
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The last date & time for submission/ uploading of complete tender document at www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in is 17/11/2025 up to 17:00 hours.
Details of specification of equipment's, terms and conditions can be seen and downloaded from Institute Website: **www.igims.org** & **www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in.**
The undersigned reserves the right to accept / reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. Prospective bidders are advised to regularly visit www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in and www.igims.org for Corrigendum / amendments etc., if any. It will be notified on these portals only and no separate advertisement will be made.
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email: cekwbbng@gmail.com Website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in
NOTICE INVITING TENDER (Through KPPP only)
1) No.KWB/TEC/CE(B)/ Gowribidanur –Nagarothana -4/993/2025-26 Dtd: 03.10.2025.
Name of the work: "Dismantling of existing 5.00 LL capacity on 12mtr staging RCC OHT behind old taluk office and Construction of 2 Nos of 5.00 LL capacity on 15mtr staging RCC OHT at Kote area & behind taluk office in Gowribidanur city under DC works of Nagarothana-4 grants in Lumpsum mode (No variation)". **Indent No. : KUWSDB/2025-26/WS/WORK_INDENT414**
2) No.KWB/TEC/CE(B)/Chitradurga DC works/994/2025-26 Dtd: 03.10.2025.
Name of the work: "Construction of 5.0LL cap OHT on 12mtr staging due at IUDP layout and rising and distribution pipeline work under DC works of CMC Chitradurga in Lumpsum mode (No variation) ". **Indent No. : KUWSDB/2025-26/WS/WORK_INDENT413**
For further details may be obtained through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
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